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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

CITY OF BOSTON.

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IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 12, 1885.

The meeting for the organization of the Board of School Committee of the city of Boston, for this municipal year, was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, on Monday, Jan. 12, 1885, being the second Monday in said month, at seven and one-half o'clock P.M.

Hon. Hugh O'Brien, President of the Board, in the chair.

Present: all the members except Mr. Flint.

At the request of the President, prayer was offered by Rev. Raphael Lasker. Prayer.

The following members of the Board of last year continue in office, having unexpired terms: — Members with unexpired terms.

Messrs. Chapin, Crowley, Cutter, Dacey, Darling, Davis, Doherty, Flint, Gallagher, Hobbs, Hyde, Lasker, Murphy, Naphen, Plummer, and Williamson.

The Chair read the following: —

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, BOSTON, Dec. 22, 1884. Communication from the City Clerk.

PHINEAS BATES, ESQ., *Secretary of the School Committee:* —

SIR, — I hereby certify that it appears that Francis A. Walker, John W. Porter, John G. Blake, Russell D. Elliott, Samuel Eliot, William J. McCormick, A. Gaston Roeth, and Joseph D. Fallon, have been duly chosen as members of the School Committee for the term of three years, from the second Monday in January next.

Attest:

FREDERICK E. GOODRICH,
City Clerk.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, a committee of three was appointed to collect the certificates of members-elect. Credentials of members-elect.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Lasker, Hobbs, and Elliott as that committee, who, after attending to their duties, reported that credentials had been received from the following newly-elected members: John G. Blake, Samuel Eliot, Russell D. Elliott, A. Gaston Roeth, John W. Porter, Francis A. Walker, Joseph D. Fallon, William J. McCormick.

The report of the committee was accepted, and the credentials placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, it was

Rules and Regulations adopted.

Ordered, That the Rules of the Board and the Regulations of the Public Schools of last year be adopted for the present year, until otherwise ordered.

Election of Vice-President.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Vice-President.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Williamson, McCormick, and Dacey, a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer. They reported the whole number of votes to be 21; necessary for a choice, 11. James S. Murphy had 10 votes; and George M. Hobbs had 11 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

Election of Secretary.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Secretary, and Messrs. Crowley, Darling, and Hyde were appointed a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer. They reported the whole number of votes to be 22; necessary for a choice, 12. Phineas Bates had 22 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

Secretary qualified.

The Secretary of the Board was qualified as Secretary of the Corporation, Mr. Hobbs administering the oath of office.

Election of Auditing Clerk.

The Board proceeded to the election of an Auditing Clerk, and Messrs. Naphen, Plummer, and Roeth were appointed a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer. They reported the whole number

of votes to be 22; necessary for a choice, 12. William J. Porter had 22 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

Election of Messenger.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Messenger, and Messrs. Gallagher, Porter, and Murphy were appointed a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer. They reported the whole number of votes to be 24; necessary for a choice, 13. John F. Dever had 8 votes; and Alvah H. Peters had 16 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

Election of Treasurer of Corporation.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Corporation, and Messrs. Blake, Fallon, and Lasker, were appointed a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer. They reported the whole number of votes to be 23; necessary for a choice, 12. Abram E. Cutter had 23 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, it was

Legislative committee appointed.

Ordered, That a special committee of three be appointed to take charge of all matters relating to the schools of Boston that may come before the Legislature during the present year.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Gallagher, Dacey, and Williamson as such committee.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was

Committee on Manual Training School.

Ordered, That a special committee of three, to be known as the Committee on Manual Training School, be appointed, who shall have the care and management of the Manual Training School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Murphy, Blake, and Walker as such committee.

His Honor the Mayor appointed the following Standing Committees; also the Normal, High School, and Division Committees, viz.: —

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Standing Committees.

Accounts. — William C. Williamson, Chairman; Messrs. Doherty, Murphy, Naphen, and Porter.

Annual Report. — George M. Hobbs, Chairman; Messrs. Darling and Lasker.

Drawing and Music. — Charles T. Gallagher, Chairman; Messrs. Cutter, Williamson, McCormick, and Walker.

Elections. — Edwin H. Darling, Chairman; Messrs. Porter and Roeth.

Evening Schools. — George M. Hobbs, Chairman; Messrs. Gallagher, Lasker, Williamson, and Murphy.

Examinations. — John C. Crowley, Chairman; Messrs. Hyde, Flint, Fallon, and Eliot.

Horace Mann School. — Russell D. Elliott, Chairman; Messrs. Naphen and Eliot.

Nominations. — Abram E. Cutter, Chairman; Messrs. Doherty, Dacey, Porter, and Eliot.

Rules and Regulations. — Charles L. Flint, Chairman; Messrs. Hobbs, Gallagher, Dacey, and Fallon.

Salaries. — George H. Plummer, Chairman; Messrs. Chapin, Hyde, Doherty, and Cutter.

School-houses. — Nahum Chapin, Chairman; Messrs. Plummer, Davis, Darling, and Lasker.

Schools for Licensed Minors. — Raphael Lasker, Chairman; Messrs. Hobbs and McCormick.

Sewing. — Henry F. Naphen, Chairman; Messrs. Darling, McCormick, Walker, and Roeth.

Supplies. — James C. Davis, Chairman; Messrs. Plummer, Chapin, Dacey, and Elliott.

Text-books. — John G. Blake, Chairman; Messrs. Crowley, Flint, Davis, and Fallon.

Truant-Officers. — The Mayor, Chairman; Messrs. Elliott, Hyde, McCormick, and Roeth.

NORMAL, HIGH SCHOOL, AND DIVISION COMMITTEES.

Normal, High School, and Division Committees appointed.

Normal School. — Messrs. Hobbs, Hyde, Murphy, Williamson, and Walker.

High Schools. — Messrs. Flint, Blake, Gallagher, Crowley, and Eliot.

First Division. — Messrs. Plummer, Doherty, Chapin, Cutter, Dacey.

Second Division. — Messrs. Cutter, Chapin, Murphy, Darling, and McCormick.

Third Division. — Messrs. Darling, Elliott, Dacey, Doherty, and Eliot.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Crowley, Williamson, Davis, Walker, and Roeth.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Lasker, Hyde, Blake, Flint, and Fallon.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Gallagher, Naphen, Fallon, Roeth, and Porter.

Seventh Division. — Messrs. Hobbs, Crowley, Murphy, McCormick, and Lasker.

Eighth Division. — Messrs. Hyde, Davis, and Elliott.

Ninth Division. — Messrs. Naphen, Porter, and Eliot.

The appointments were approved.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, it was

Unfinished business referred.

Ordered, That the unfinished business of last year, referred to this Board, be referred to the appropriate committees.

On motion of Mr. Dacey, it was

Adjournment.

Ordered, That the next meeting of the Board be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 27, at half-past seven o'clock.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Naphen, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, Jan. 27, 1885.

A regular and adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the president in the chair.

Present: All the members, except Messrs. Blake, Darling, Naphen, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Report of the Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Comins District. — Lucy E. Shove, third assistant, Feb. 1, 1885. Resignation of teachers.

Dudley District. — Helen M. Stevens, fourth assistant, Jan. 5, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dillaway District. — Cordelia G. Torrey, third assistant, from Jan. 28, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Emerson District. — Jennie A. Mayer and Clara A. Brown, third assistants, from Dec. 10, 1884, and Jan. 5, 1885, respectively; Lillian W. Prescott, fourth assistant, from Jan. 5, 1885.

Prescott District. — Nellie J. Breed, fourth assistant, from Dec. 16, 1884.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Gaston District. — Annie Britt, fourth assistant, from Jan. 5, 1885.

Quincy District. — Mary A. Murphy, fourth assistant, from Feb. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Brimmer District. — Elizabeth A. Noonan, third assistant.

Dillaway District. — Olive M. E. Rowe, second assistant.

Dudley District. — Augustine L. Rafter, sub-master.

Hancock District. — Lucy M. A. Moore, fourth assistant.

Lewis District. — Harriet J. Folsom, third assistant; Anna A. Groll, fourth assistant.

Lincoln District. — Emma J. Channell, third assistant.

Lyman District. — Mary L. Sweeney, fourth assistant.

Mather District. — Elizabeth Donaldson, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, it was

Leave of absence to Addie J. Callender.

Ordered, That leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Addie J. Callender, fourth assistant in the Dorchester-Everett District.

On motion of Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, it was

Leave of absence to Esther F. Nichols.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Esther F. Nichols, second as-

sistant in the Andrew District, and that Elizabeth W. Prescott be approved as her substitute.

Elizabeth W. Prescott, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on the First Division, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to report the compensation due Betsey H. Lyford, for services as teacher of the school on Spectacle island; the sum to be paid to be computed on the plan adopted by the Board, October, 1883.

Compensation to Betsey H. Lyford, teacher of school on Spectacle island.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence, until March 1, 1885, be granted to Jessie M. Rice, third assistant in the Bennett District, and that Helen I. Whittemore be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Jessie M. Rice.

Helen I. Whittemore, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That extended leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Louise P. Arnold, second assistant in the Hillside District, and that Kate F. Lyons be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Louise P. Arnold.

Kate F. Lyons, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That extended leave of absence, until Feb. 1, 1885, be granted to Eliza W. Jones, second assistant in the Bennett District, and that Ida F. Taylor be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Eliza W. Jones.

Ida F. Taylor, substitute.

Mr. Davis, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional accommodations for primary scholars in the Allston District, by enlarging the Webster schoolhouse.

Enlargement of Webster schoolhouse.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Leave of absence to Susan G. B. Garland.

Ida S. Hammerle, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Susan G. B. Garland, third assistant in the Lowell District, and that Ida S. Hammerle be approved as her substitute.

Report of the Committee on the Fourth Division; removal of relics of Nathaniel Bowditch to the Public Library.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, the petition concerning the removal of certain relics of Nathaniel Bowditch, from the Bowditch School to the Boston Public Library, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the bust of Nathaniel Bowditch, and the books, presented to the Bowditch School by the sons of Mr. Bowditch, be removed from said school to the Boston Public Library.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Deaths of Henrietta Madigan and Mary E. Davis.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, reported the deaths of Henrietta Madigan, late fourth assistant in the Quincy District; and of Mary E. Davis, late third assistant in the Winthrop District.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Alice M. Dickey.

Anna K. Barry, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence, until Feb. 1, 1885, be granted to Alice M Dickey, third assistant in the Prince District, and that Anna K. Barry be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Charlotte L. Wheelwright.

Josephine Garland, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence, until March 1, 1885, be granted to Charlotte L. Wheelwright, third assistant in the Quincy District, and that Josephine Garland be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Mary J. Danforth, third assistant in the Winthrop District, and that Caroline Merrill be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Mary J. Danforth.

Caroline Merrill, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Fannie E. Winchell, fourth assistant in the George Putnam District.

Leave of absence to Fannie E. Winchell.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence, until April 1, 1885, be granted to Laura E. Dyer, third assistant in the George Putnam District.

Leave of absence to Laura E. Dyer.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the Committee on Evening Schools, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to approve the payment of salaries to teachers in the Evening High School, in excess of the amount appropriated for that purpose.

Payment of salaries of teachers of Evening High School.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence, from Feb. 9 to April 1, 1885, be granted to Byron Groce, master in the Latin School, for the purpose of study in Rome and Athens.

Leave of absence to Byron Groce.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until March 1, 1885, be granted to Charlotte M. Gardner, assistant in the Girls' High School, and that Lucy C. Elliott be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Charlotte M. Gardner.

Lucy C. Elliott, substitute.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Chemical laboratory in West Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable accommodations for a chemical laboratory in the West Roxbury High School.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; regulations relating to indigent children.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order proposing an amendment to Section 195 (see Minutes, 1884, page 162), reported that, as the present law relating to the furnishing of text-books removes the distinction of "indigent pupils," they are of the opinion that it is desirable to strike out the present Section 195 from the Regulations, and recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by striking out Section 195, and numbering the succeeding sections to conform to this change.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; teachers over seventy years of age not to be employed.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, the report relative to fixing the age at which teachers shall be ineligible for reëlection, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That on and after April 1, 1885, no person shall be employed as a teacher in the Boston public schools who is seventy years of age or more.

The report was accepted.

The order was lost by a vote of 8 to 12.

Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations; substitute service.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, the recommendations of the Superintendent concerning substitute service, reported that, believing some plan by which competent and experienced teachers may be obtained without delay, when needed as substitutes in some of the classes, is desirable, they recommend, for the

purpose of making the experiment, the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Nominations be authorized to appoint special substitute teachers, who shall hold themselves ready to serve, under the direction of the Superintendent, as substitutes for absent regular teachers during short periods of time. The special substitutes so appointed and serving shall not exceed five in number at any one time. They shall be paid by the teachers in whose places they serve, as provided in Section 187 of the Regulations; and, further, for the time during which they are not teaching, but hold themselves in readiness to do so after their appointment, they shall be paid by the city at the rate of five dollars a week.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Course of study, High Schools; amendment of.

Ordered, That the course of study be amended so as to provide that a modern language, or drawing, may be substituted for solid geometry as an elective study in the third year of the High School course.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on the Second Division, it was

Leave of absence to Ellen A. Pratt.

Isabel G. Winslow, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence until March 15, 1885, be granted to Ellen A. Pratt, second assistant in the Warren District, and that Isabel G. Winslow be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Lydia A. Simpson.

Clara B. Brown, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Lydia A. Simpson, third assistant in the Bunker Hill District, and that Clara B. Brown be approved as her substitute.

Appropriations and expenditures.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement: —

OFFICE OF ACCOUNTS, MASON ST., Jan. 27, 1885.

The Committee on Accounts present to the Board the appropriations as made by the City Council for the present financial year, together with the expenditures incurred to date, being ten months' payments of the present financial year.

Object of Appropriation.		Appropriation 1884–85.	February Draft.	Expenditures, 10 months, 1884–85.	Balance unexpended.
Salaries, Instructors .		$1,173,152	$101,466 63	$969,239 85	$203,912 15
Salaries, Officers . .		59,020	4,998 33	50,023 33	8,996 67
School Ex.	Salaries, Janitors .	86,000	7,390 53	70,529 24	15,470 76
	Fuel, Gas, Water .	67,000	3,756 25	52,717 37	14,282 63
	Supplies & Mis. Ex.	167,900	3,086 38	107,904 00	59,996 00
		$1,553,072	$120,698 12	$1,250,413 79	$302,658 21

The gross expenses of the School Committee for the past ten months, as compared with the corresponding time last year, show an increase of $40,212.98.

For the Committee on Accounts,
WM. C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Manual Training School, it was

Appropriation for Manual Training School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be instructed to include in the estimates for the next financial year, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars for the Manual Training School.

Manual Training School; amendments to Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Manual Training School, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows. —

Section 2. Add the following words to the section: "Manual Training School."

Section 56. Insert the following as Section 56, and number the succeeding section, 57: —

"SECTION 56. The Committee on the Manual Training School shall have the care and management of the school of this name; they shall nominate to the Board, at the second meeting in March, or when a vacancy occurs, a suitable teacher for the school. Annually, in the month of September, they shall submit to the Board a written report on the condition of the school."

Insert the following as Chapter XXIV., and number the succeeding chapters XXV. and XXVI.

CHAPTER XXIV.

REGULATIONS OF THE MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

SECTION 361. This school is established for the purpose of giving instruction and practice in the use of tools to the pupils of the public schools, and shall be under the charge of the Committee on the Manual Training School. The sessions of the school shall be such as may be determined by the committee in charge, who shall also prescribe the course of instruction.

SECTION 362. There shall be one instructor for the school, whose salary shall be fixed by the Board in the same manner as the salaries of other instructors are fixed.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, Feb. 10, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: all the members, except Messrs. Doherty, Elliott, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by striking out Section 195, and numbering the succeeding sections to conform to this change. Regulations amended.

Passed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: —

RESIGNATIONS.

Charles Sumner District. — Angie P. Nutter, third assistant, March 1, 1885. Resignations of teachers.

Eliot District. — Emma C. Glawson, fourth assistant, Jan. 5, 1885.

Lowell District. — Mary A. Cloney, third assistant, Feb. 4, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Annie C. Colburn, fourth assistant, Feb. 14, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Lincoln District. — Margaret M. Burns, from Jan. 12, 1885. Special assistant, Primary School.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Girls' High School. — Annabel Stetson, assistant, from Feb. 4, 1885.

Brimmer District. — Mary E. W. Hagerty, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885.

Hancock District. — Isabel Whitcomb, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885.

Quincy District. — Mary E. W. Hagerty, fourth assistant, from Jan. 16 to Feb. 2, 1885.

Stoughton District. — Martha E. Scott, third assistant, from Feb. 10, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Mary A. Murphy, third assistant, from Jan. 22 to Feb. 2, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Nominations on probation.

Charles Sumner District. — Angie P. Nutter, second assistant, from March 1, 1885.

Comins District. — Alice A. Sanborn, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885.

Dudley District. — Kate F. Lyons, fourth assistant, from Feb. 9, 1885.

Eliot District. — Emma C. Glawson, second assistant, Primary Department, from Jan. 5, 1885.

Emerson District. — Helen M. Souther, third assistant, from Feb. 9, 1885.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Quincy School. — Louise K. Hopkinson, assistant, from Dec. 29, 1884; Delia L. Viles, assistant, from Jan. 5, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Adams District. — M. Luetta Choate, third assistant. Confirmation of teachers.

Allston District. — Carrie G. McDonald and Josephine Rice, third assistants.

Andrew District. — Emma C. Stuart, third assistant; Emily F. Hodsdon, fourth assistant.

Comins District. — Martha Palmer, fourth assistant.

Dillaway District. — Corinne Harrison, second assistant.

Dwight District. — Georgiana Benjamin, Jennie E. Morse, Isabelle H. Wilson, third assistants.

Everett District. — Elizabeth G. Melcher, second assistant; Jane Reid, third assistant.

Lincoln District. — Joanna C. Wilkinson, fourth assistant.

Lyman District. — Fannie M. Morris, third assistant.

Minot District. — Annie T. Kelly, fourth assistant.

Rice District. — Harriet H. Norcross, third assistant.

Accepted.

TRANSFERS.

Adams District. — Grace M. Rennick, third assistant, to the position of fourth assistant in the same district; Albertine A. Martin, fourth assistant, to the position of third assistant, on probation, in the same district; the transfers to date from Feb. 2, 1885. Transfers of teachers.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Kate R. Gookin, fourth assistant in the Franklin District, and that Delia L. Viles be approved as her substitute. Leave of absence to Kate R. Gookin. Delia L. Viles, substitute.

Mr. Lasker, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Alice T. Kelley.

Ordered, That, on account of previous long and acceptable service, Alice T. Kelley, second assistant in the Sherwin District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Dec. 1, 1884.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, it was

Compensation to Betsey H. Lyford, teacher of school on Spectacle Island. (See page 11.)

Ordered, That the sum of two hundred and seven and $\frac{12}{100}$ dollars ($207.12) be paid to Betsey H. Lyford, for services as teacher of the school on Spectacle Island, from Nov. 1, 1883, to July 1, 1884.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the same committee, it was

Payment of salary of Henrietta Madigan, deceased.

Ordered, That the salary due Henrietta Madigan, deceased, late a teacher in the Quincy District, be paid to her sister, Grace A. De Borges.

Report of Committee on Accounts; telephonic communication between School Board offices and schools.

Mr. Williamson, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order to the effect that they be requested to investigate and report whether it is practicable to put the schools in telephonic communication with the School-Committee Rooms, reported that, after careful investigation of the matter, they are of the opinion that, while it would be of great convenience to have telephonic communication established between the several schools and the offices of the School Board, the expense would be so great that it would not be compensated for by the advantages gained. The committee, therefore, do not consider that it is practicable to add an annual expenditure of about four thousand dollars to the school expenses, at the present time, for the purpose mentioned.

Accepted.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, reported the resignation of Charles M. Carter, head-assistant in the Evening Drawing School, to take effect Jan. 16, 1885.

Resignation of Charles M. Carter.

Accepted.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, reported the following nominations of teachers of the Evening Drawing Schools: —

Nominations of teachers of Evening Drawing Schools.

Head-assistant. — Charles L. Adams, from Jan. 16, 1885.

Assistant. — Emma W. Kaan, from Jan. 16, 1885.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to approve the payment of salaries to teachers in the Evening Drawing Schools in excess of the amount appropriated for that purpose.

Payment of salaries of teachers of Evening Drawing Schools.

On motion of Mr. Darling, for the Committee on the Third Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Sarah E. Ward, fourth assistant in the Hancock District.

Leave of absence to Sarah E. Ward.

On motion of Mr. Darling, for same committee, it was

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Sarah Ripley, fourth assistant in the Eliot District, and that Alice M. Sibley be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Sarah Ripley. Alice M. Sibley, substitute.

On motion of Mr. McCormick, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Truant-Officers be requested to consider and report the advisability of removing the head-quarters of the truant-officers to the Mason-street building.

Removal of head-quarters of truant-officers to Mason street.

Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, offered the following: —

Additional Primary-School accommodations in the Lincoln District.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional Primary-School accommodations in the Lincoln District.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Petition of Jas. A. Kemp *et al.* for enlargement of yard of Andrew School-house.

Mr. Fallon presented a petition, signed by James A. Kemp, and twenty-eight others, praying that the yard of the Andrew School-house be enlarged.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on the First Division, offered the following: —

Leave of absence to James F. Blackinton.

Mary A. Maclean, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence for one month, on account of ill-health, be granted to James F. Blackinton, master of the Emerson school, and that Mary A. Maclean be approved as a substitute for the sub-master, who is to take charge of the school during the absence of Mr. Blackinton.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Helen M. Souther.

Ordered, That Helen M. Souther, third assistant in the Emerson District, be placed upon the third year of service in her grade, to date from Feb. 9, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Salary of Nellie J. Kiggen.

Ordered, That Nellie J. Kiggen, third assistant in the Central District, be placed upon the second year of service in her grade, to date from Feb. 11, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Leave of absence to Mary F. Neale.

Abby W. Sullivan, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Mary F. Neale, fourth assistant in the Dearborn District, and that Abby W. Sullivan be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Mary K. Wallace, fourth assistant in the Dearborn District, and that Jennie E. Hintz be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Mary K. Wallace.

Jennie E. Hintz, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to O. Augusta Welch, third assistant in the Lowell District, and that Mary E. Morse be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to O. Augusta Welch.

Mary E. Morse, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to E. Josephine Page, second assistant in the Lowell District, and that Esther M. Meserve be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to E. Josephine Page.

Esther M. Meserve, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Flora J. Cutter, fourth assistant in the Dearborn District.

Leave of absence to Flora J. Cutter.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That Maria F. Bray be approved as a substitute for Laura E. Dyer, third assistant in the George Putnam District, granted leave of absence.

Maria F. Bray, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That Laura Jenkins be approved as a substitute for Fannie E. Winchell, fourth assistant in the George Putnam District, granted leave of absence.

Laura Jenkins, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on the Second Division, it was

Leave of absence to Cally E. Gary.

Eudora F. Sumner, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Cally E. Gary, third assistant in the Harvard District, and that Eudora F. Sumner be approved as her substitute.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following: —

Enlargement of yard of Dudley School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the yard of the Dudley School-house.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Board of Health to report on sanitary condition of the Eustis-street Primary School-house.

Ordered, That the Board of Health be requested to investigate and report upon the sanitary condition of the Eustis-street Primary School-house.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, offered the following: —

Additional Grammar-School accommodations at Ashmont station.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional Grammar-School accommodations in the vicinity of Ashmont station, Dorchester.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; substitute service. (See pp. 14, 15.)

On motion of Mr. Flint, the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on the subject of substitute service (see pp. 14 and 15), was taken from the table and accepted.

The order appended to the report was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Estimates for 1885–6.

Mr. Williamson, for the Joint Committee on Accounts and Supplies, presented the following estimates of expenses for the financial year 1885–6, and asked that the same be approved by the Board: —

SCHOOLS. — ESTIMATES, 1885–86.

School Committee,
Office of Accounts, February 10, 1885.

James H. Dodge, Esq., *City Auditor:* —

Dear Sir, — The Committee on Accounts of the School Committee herewith transmit to you estimates of the amount which will be required to meet the expenses of the Public Schools for the financial year commencing on the 1st day of May, 1885, and ending April 30, 1886, exclusive of the expenses for furniture, repairs, alterations, and the building of school-houses.

Very respectfully yours,

WILLIAM C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman Committee on Accounts, School Committee.

SALARIES OF INSTRUCTORS.

First Grade.

5	Head-Masters, at	$3,780	$18,900	
3	Masters	3,168	9,504	
22	"	2,880	63,360	
2	Junior Masters	2,448	4,896	
2	" "	1,584	3,168	
2	" "	1,296	2,592	
2	" "	1,152	2,304	
1	Junior Master	1,008	1,008	
				$105,732

Second Grade.

33	Masters, at	$2,880	$95,040	
1	Master	2,820	2,820	
5	Masters	2,760	13,800	
1	Master	2,700	2,700	
3	Masters	2,640	7,920	
5	Sub-Masters	2,496	12,480	
1	" "	2,436	2,436	
14	" "	2,280	31,920	
2	" "	2,196	4,392	
	Amounts carried forward		$173,508	$105,732

	Amounts brought forward . .		$173,508	$105,732
2	Sub-Masters, at . . .	$2,100	4,200	
5	" "	2,040	10,200	
1	" "	1,980	1,980	
3	" "	1,860	5,580	
2	" "	1,800	3,600	
2	" "	1,740	3,480	
3	" "	1,680	5,040	
3	" "	1,620	4,860	
3	" "	1,560	4,680	
				217,128

Third Grade.

1	Assistant Principal, at . .	$1,800	$1,800	
5	First Assistants . . .	1,620	8,100	
6	Assistants	1,380	8,280	
1	"	1,308	1,308	
6	"	1,284	7,704	
1	"	1,236	1,236	
2	"	1,140	2,280	
10	"	1,092	10,920	
4	"	1,044	4,176	
2	"	996	1,992	
1	"	948	948	
4	"	900	3,600	
3	"	852	2,556	
4	"	804	3,216	
				58,116

Fourth Grade.

1	First Assistant, at . . .	$1,152	$1,152	
57	First Assistants . .	1,080	61,560	
3	" " . . .	1,044	3,132	
5	" " . . .	1,008	5,040	
2	" " . . .	972	1,944	
2	" " . . .	936	1,872	
62	Second " . . .	816	50,592	
23	" " . . .	804	18,492	
7	" " . . .	792	5,544	
12	" " . . .	780	9,360	
	Amounts carried forward . .		$158,688	$380,976

	Amounts brought forward . .		$158,688	$380,976
14	Second Assistants . . .	$768	10,752	
278	Third " . . .	744	206,832	
11	" " . . .	696	7,656	
17	" " . . .	648	11,016	
16	" " . . .	600	9,600	
22	" " . . .	552	12,144	
25	" " . . .	504	12,600	
14	" " . . .	456	6,384	
289	Fourth " . . .	744	215,016	
12	" " . . .	696	8,352	
23	" " . . .	648	14,904	
32	" " . . .	600	19,200	
30	" " . . .	552	16,560	
25	" " . . .	504	12,600	
14	" " . . .	456	6,384	
15	Temporary Teachers, 100 days,		2,790	
15	Special Assistants, 100 days, .		1,500	
			———	732,978

Special Grade.

Special Teacher of Illustrative Drawing, Penmanship, etc., Normal School . .	$1,380	
Sewing, 28 Instructors, 210 Divisions . .	15,204	
4 French Instructors, High Schools . .	4,230	
1 German Instructor, High Schools . .	990	
	———	21,804
Deaf-Mutes :—		
1 Principal	$1,800	
8 Assistants	6,500	
	———	8,300
Music : —		
1 Instructor, High Schools . . .	$2,640	
4 Instructors, Grammar and Primary Schools	10,560	
	———	13,200
Drawing : —		
Director		3,000
Licensed Minors : —		
2 Assistants		1,488
Amount carried forward		$1,161,746

Amount brought forward . . .		$1,161,746
Chemistry: —		
High Schools, 2 Instructors, . . .	$1,780	
1 Laboratory Assistant	744	
		2,524
Physical Culture: —		
Girls' High, 1 Instructor	$960	
Girls' Latin, 1 Instructor	492	
		1,452
Military Drill: —		
Instructor	$1,500	
Armorer	504	
		2,004
Evening High School: —		
Head Master, 22 weeks	$1,100	
Teacher of Phonography, 22 weeks . .	550	
20 Assistants, 22 weeks	8,800	
Clerk	330	
		10,780
Evening Elementary Schools: —		
13 Principals, 22 weeks	$5,720	
73 Assistants, 22 weeks	12,045	
		17,765
Evening Drawing Schools: —		
2 Masters, 63 evenings	$1,260	
5 Head Assistants, 63 evenings . .	1,890	
13 Assistants, 63 evenings . . .	4,095	
5 Curators	630	
		7,875
Total for Instructors		$1,204,146

SALARIES OF OFFICERS.

Superintendent	$4,200
6 Supervisors, at $3,780	22,680
Secretary	2,880
Auditing Clerk	2,880
Assistants	2,520
Copyist	1,000
Amount carried forward	$36,160

Brought forward	$36,160
Assistant in offices, School Department . . .	600
Messengers	1,700
18 Truant Officers	21,720
Total for Officers	$60,180

INCIDENTALS.

Text-books, Reference Books, Exchange of Books, ...	$65,500
Books for Supplementary Reading	2,500
Annual Festival	2,000
Globes, Maps, and Charts	1,350
Musical Expenses: —	
Instruments, Repairs and Covers, ...	2,300
Printing, and Stock used for same	6,500
Philosophical, Chemical and Mathematical Apparatus and Supplies	2,250
School Census	1,100
Stationery, Drawing Materials, and Record Books .	14,000
Slates, Diplomas, Racks, Pencils, Erasers, etc. .	3,500
Advertising	350
Military Drill: —	
Arms, Repairs, etc.	450
Fuel, Gas, and Water	68,000
Salaries of Janitors	87,500
Janitors' and other Supplies	3,600
Cost of work for delivering supplies, including Salaries, Expenses of Teaming, Repairs, Repairing Apparatus, etc.	6,000
Miscellaneous, including Sewing Materials, Teaming, Extra Labor, Horse and Carriage Expenses, Postage, Car and Ferry Tickets, Receiving Coal, and Sundry Items	3,400
	$270,300
Amount carried forward	$270,300

Amount brought forward	$270,300
The School Committee have voted to recommend the Committee on Accounts to include in this estimate, the continuance of the Manual Training School, the sum of	2,500
Total for Incidentals	$272,800

RECAPITULATION.

Salaries of Instructors	$1,204,146
Salaries of Officers	60,180
Incidentals	272,800
	$1,537,126

INCOME.

Non-residents, State and City	$13,000
Trust Funds, and other sources	12,000
	$25,000

The amount estimated and granted for the year 1884–85, including a special appropriation of $2,500 for a Manual Training School, was $1,555,572. The amount required for the coming year, according to the estimates herewith presented, is $1,537,126, — a reduction of $18,446.

The committee having charge of the preparation of these estimates have carefully considered the same, and are of the opinion that the amount asked for will be needed to carry on the schools as they are at present constituted.

The Committee on Accounts respectfully request that the Auditor of Accounts may be authorized to transfer unexpended balances from any one of the appropriations named to any other appropriation.

For the Committee on Accounts,
WILLIAM C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

For the Committee on Supplies,
JAMES C. DAVIS,
Chairman.

The Chair stated that, under the rules, the estimates required a two-thirds yea and nay vote for approval.

The estimates were unanimously approved by the following vote: —

Yeas: The Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Chapin, Crowley, Cutter, Dacey, Darling, Davis, Eliot, Fallon, Flint, Gallagher, Hobbs, Hyde, Lasker, McCormick, Murphy, Naphen, Plummer, Roeth, and Williamson. — 21. Yeas and nays.

Nays: None.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, the communication from the Superintendent concerning precautions against fire, submitted a partial report, recommending the passage of the following order: — Report Committee on School-houses; precautions against fire.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to place outside stairways, as an additional precaution against danger from fire, on the Ticknor Primary School-house, in the Andrew District, and the Cushman School-house, in the Hancock District.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee to whom was referred — Jan. 27 — an order concerning a chemical laboratory for the West Roxbury High School, reported that the following order ought to pass: — Report Committee on School-houses; chemical laboratory, West Roxbury High School. (See page 14.)

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable accommodations for a chemical laboratory in the West Roxbury High School-house.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Jan. 27 — the order concerning additional Primary School accommodations in the Allston District, reported that the following order ought to pass: — Report Committee on School-houses; additional Primary-School accommodations in the Allston District. (See page 11.)

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide accommodations for two additional primary classes

in the Allston District by enlarging the Webster School-house.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses; more suitable accommodations for Horace Mann School.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order concerning more suitable accommodations for the Horace Mann School, reported that the committee had carefully considered the subject, and are of the opinion that the present building is objectionable on account of the location, the insufficiency of light, and the poor ventilation. The pupils are taught mostly, if not wholly, by observation, and the present building is poorly adapted to the purposes of a school of this class. Your committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to erect a building of ten or twelve small rooms and a hall, in a suitable location, with special reference to light and ventilation, and arranged for the purposes of a school for deaf-mutes.

Accepted, and the order laid on the table.

Pupils of the Eliot and Hancock Districts; permission to attend the North End Industrial Home during school-hours.

Mr. Darling stated that the Committee on the Third Division had received a petition from Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw, asking that pupils of the North End schools be permitted to attend the North End Industrial Home during a portion of the school-hours, and that the committee were of the opinion that they had not authority, under the rules, to grant the request.

On motion of Mr. Darling, it was

Ordered, That the subject of allowing pupils in the Eliot and Hancock Districts to attend the North End Industrial Home be referred to the Committee on Manual Training School for consideration and report.

The Chair presented the following report of the Secretary on tardiness of pupils in the schools for the month of January: —

Tardiness. — January, 1885.

District.	Grammar.				Primary.			
	Whole No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	No. of cases of Tardiness.	Ratio of No. of cases of Tardiness to average Attendance.	Whole No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	No. of cases of Tardiness.	Ratio of No. of cases of Tardiness to average Attendance.
Adams	506	454	141	.31	421	349	140	.40
Allston	454	391	101	.26	425	293	126	.43
Andrew	705	637	97	.15	543	459	170	.37
Bennett	432	375	25	.07	295	187	51	.27
Bigelow	827	779	137	.18	667	560	348	.62
Bowdoin	400	347	203	.59	443	341	247	.72
Brimmer	643	590	242	.41	462	403	253	.63
Bunker Hill	670	622	58	.09	612	529	180	.34
Central	330	303	60	.20	154	136	28	.20
Chapman	648	579	121	.21	336	280	65	.23
Charles Sumner	294	270	167	.62	304	250	127	.51
Comins	1,081	973	158	.16	743	634	177	.28
Dearborn	998	885	308	.35	1,055	821	674	.82
Dillaway	623	521	153	.29	379	306	225	.73
Dor.-Everett	571	491	238	.48	535	379	134	.35
Dudley	709	640	455	.71	622	523	358	.68
Dwight	715	640	87	.14	336	264	154	.58
Eliot	936	818	957	1.17	499	409	715	1.75
Emerson	694	626	119	.19	483	395	119	.30
Everett	795	702	74	.11	650	525	219	.42
Franklin	781	680	393	.58	700	574	406	.71
Frothingham	606	539	201	.37	486	403	165	.41
Gaston	523	464	99	.21	785	639	230	.36
George Putnam	279	248	75	.30	216	162	85	.52
Gibson	399	347	102	.29	285	191	56	.29
Hancock	545	488	168	.34	803	713	787	1.10
Harris	263	241	38	.16	205	157	63	.40
Harvard	597	543	143	.26	447	335	215	.64
Hillside	329	288	64	.22	231	180	113	.63
Lawrence	875	874	272	.31	1,029	885	402	.45
Lewis	636	558	94	.17	588	474	258	.54
Lincoln	800	739	100	.14	371	308	126	.40
Lowell	599	523	135	.26	545	453	149	.33
Lyman	595	526	232	.44	590	481	260	.54
Mather	419	369	116	.31	402	293	205	.70
Minot	275	242	160	.66	217	165	91	.55
Mt. Vernon	191	167	82	.49	124	98	20	.20
Norcross	654	581	261	.45	729	629	331	.53
Phillips	746	679	745	1.10	500	385	739	1.90
Prescott	494	450	94	.21	459	386	127	.33
Prince	473	416	127	.30	186	136	40	.29
Quincy	589	535	243	.45	765	646	818	1.27
Rice	650	588	522	.89	508	375	321	.86
Sherwin	844	766	189	.25	818	712	313	.44
Shurtleff	676	583	358	.61	396	319	164	.51
Stoughton	282	254	207	.81	179	142	95	.67
Tileston	68	58	9	.16	56	45	3	.07
Warren	677	625	59	.09	571	405	112	.28
Wells	482	420	191	.45	671	535	541	1.01
Winthrop	977	878	970	1.10	291	248	324	1.31

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Board adjourned.

Attest: PHINEAS BATES,

Secretary.

In School Committee, Feb. 24, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: all the members except Messrs. Dacey, Doherty, Eliot, Elliott, Gallagher, McCormick, Naphen, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was dispensed with, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Bennett District. — Eliza W. Jones, second assistant, Jan. 31, 1885; Jessie M. Rice, third assistant, Feb. 28, 1885. Resignation of teachers.

Comins District. — Anna R. McDonald, fourth assistant, March 2, 1885.

Hancock District. — Mary E. Skinner, third assistant, March 2, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Bennett District. — Ida F. Taylor, second assistant, from Feb. 2 to 28, 1885. Temporary teacher.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Bennett District. — Fannie Potter, second assistant, from March 2, 1885; Helen I. Whittemore, third assistant, from March 2, 1885. Nomination of teachers.

Comins District. — Anna R. McDonald, second assistant, primary department, from March 2, 1885.

Dor.-Everett District. — Abbie E. Wilson, third assistant, from Jan. 5, 1885; Fannie M. Cartwright, fourth assistant, from Jan. 5, 1885.

Franklin District. — Annie G. Merrill, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885.

Hancock District. — Mary E. Skinner, second assistant, from March 2, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Adelaide M. Odiorne, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Girls' Latin School. — Mary S. Locke, assistant.

Eliot District. — Elizabeth C. Harding, third assistant.

George Putnam District. — Belle P. Winslow, first assistant.

Accepted.

The Chair read the following: —

Communication from Board of Health; report on sanitary condition of Eustis-street Primary school-house. (See page 26.)

BOARD OF HEALTH,
32 PEMBERTON SQUARE, BOSTON, Feb. 17, 1885.

To the Honorable School Committee: —

GENTLEMEN, — In compliance with your request, the Board of Health have examined the sanitary condition of the Eustis-street Primary school-house, and respectfully report: That we find the house to be well situated, with good light and air, and a dry cellar. The drainage is good, except a defect just outside the cellar-wall on the line of the sink-drain. No drain odors were perceived. The ashes having been wet in the cellar gave a bad odor. The vault, although not particularly offensive at the time of our examination, is not being properly flushed. The ventilation of the house is poor. The drain should be repaired, the vault properly flushed daily, the water-tanks in the furnace kept filled, and the ventilation improved.

With the above repairs and improvements made, we think the school-building would be in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF HEALTH,
SAMUEL H. DURGIN.
Chairman.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to make such alterations as have been suggested in the communication from the Board of Health, made to this Board, for the improvement of the sanitary condition of the Eustis-street Primary school-building.

Sanitary condition of the Eustis-street Primary school-house.

The Chair presented a petition signed by William H. West, and twenty-four others, remonstrating against the reëlection of Joseph T. Ward, Jr., as master of the Minot School, and asking that a hearing be given them.

Remonstrance against the reëlection of Joseph T. Ward, Jr., as master of the Minot School.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division, with instructions to give the petitioners a hearing.

The Chair presented the following petition: —

Petition concerning a Text-book in English literature.

To the Honorable the School Committee of the City of Boston: —

Your petitioners respectfully represent that they are citizens of Boston interested in and believing that the children attending the public schools of this city should receive full and correct information upon such an important subject as that of English literature; and they assert, without fear of contradiction, that the present text or reference books on the subject in use in said schools, whether Chambers' Cyclopædia of English Literature, Swinton's, or others, are totally unfit for the purpose, as they altogether ignore, either intentionally or unintentionally, existing Irish literature, which is too valuable to be thus ignominiously treated; and it might be remarked here that an account of Ireland's ancient law-giver, Ollamh Fodla (*i.e.* Olav Fola), King Cormac, Aengus the Céile Dé, the Brothers O'Clery (authors of the annals of the Four Masters), McFirbis, Keating, and, to come down to a later period, Mangan, Davis, McGee, Hardiman, Mitchell, Shiel, O'Curry, and others, would certainly be of more practical benefit to the children, and better models for them to imitate, than Shelley, Byron, Swinburne, Rossetti, and others. Of course these are only a few, and the list would be very much amplified if time and trouble were taken to investigate.

Your petitioners believe that this ought to be remedied; and, having no interest other than a public one in the matter, they would respectfully ask you to compare any of the present books upon the subject, used in the schools, with one lately issued by Dr. John

O'Kane Murray (Lessons in English Literature), when the statements herein made, will, they believe, be fully borne out.

Signed,

LAWRENCE D. WELBY, and ten others.

Referred to the Committee on Text-books.

Petition for establishment of Grammar classes in the Gibson School, School st., Dorchester.

Mr. Fallon presented a petition signed by A. J. Vose and 81 others, praying that two or three Grammar-school classes be formed in the Gibson school-house, School street, Dorchester, for the accommodation of the children residing in that vicinity who are now obliged to attend the Atherton School, on Columbia street.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division.

Mr. Blake offered the following: —

Leave of absence of Supervisor Robert C. Metcalf.

Ordered, That, on account of ill-health, leave of absence, for not longer than two months, be granted to Supervisor Robert C. Metcalf, and that the Board of Supervisors be authorized to employ assistance, if necessary, in performing the additional work occasioned by the illness of Mr. Metcalf, without expense to the city.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the order was amended by inserting after the word "employ" the word "clerical."

The order, as amended, passed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Special Committee on appointment of an Instructor in Hygiene.

Ordered, That a special committee of three be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of creating the office of Instructor in Hygiene; and that they be authorized to report in print.

Special Committee appointed.

The Chair appointed as such committee Samuel Eliot, Charles L. Flint, and John C. Crowley.

On motion of Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, it was

Leave of absence to Margaret J. Stewart.

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to Margaret J. Stewart, first assistant in the Lincoln District.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence for ten days be granted to W. L. P. Boardman, master of the Lewis School.

Leave of absence to W. L. P. Boardman.

On motion of Mr. Darling, for the Committee on the Third Division, it was

Ordered, That Lucy A. G. McGilvray, be approved as the substitute for Sarah E. Ward, fourth assistant in the Hancock District, granted leave of absence.

Lucy A. G. McGilvray, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Roeth, the following order appended to the report of the Committee on School-houses, relative to more suitable accommodations for the Horace Mann School was taken from the table.

More suitable accommodations for Horace Mann School. (See page 34.)

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to erect a building, of ten or twelve small rooms and a hall, in a suitable location, with special reference to light and ventilation, and arranged for the purposes of a school for deaf-mutes.

The order passed.

On motion of Mr. Roeth, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses be instructed to petition the State for a plot of land suitable for a building for the use of the Horace Mann School.

Site for Horace Mann School.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Manual Training School, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the salary of the Instructor of the Manual Training School be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum for the ensuing school year.

Salary of Instructor of Manual Training School.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Use of halls in English High-School building granted to Janitors' Association.

Ordered, That the use of the drill-hall and the exhibition-hall in the English High-school building be granted to the Association of the Janitors of the Boston Public Schools, on the evening of Wednesday, April 8, 1885.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the same committee, it was

Use of rooms in Latin-school building granted to Boston Latin School Association.

Ordered, That the use of the drill-hall and other necessary rooms of the Boston Latin-school building be granted to the Boston Latin School Association on the 23d or 24th of April next, for the purpose of celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the foundation of the school.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Annual Report, it was

Edition of Annual School Report.

Ordered, That four thousand copies of the report of the Committee on the Annual School Report for 1884, be printed.

Appropriation and expenditures.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement: —

Office of Accounts, Mason St., Feb. 24, 1885.

The Committee on Accounts present to the Board the appropriations as made by the City Council for the present financial year, together with the expenditures incurred to date, being eleven months' payments of the present financial year.

Object of Appropriation.		Appropriation 1884–85.	March Draft.	Expenditures, 11 months, 1884–85.	Balance unexpended.
Salaries, Instructors .		$1,173,152	$102,684 77	$1,071,924 62	$101,227 38
Salaries, Officers . .		59,020	4,998 33	55,021 66	3,998 34
School Ex.	Salaries, Janitors .	86,000	7,265 00	77,794 24	8,205 76
	Fuel, Gas, Water .	67,000	3,876 85	56,594 22	10,405 78
	Supplies & Mis. Ex.	167,900	6,440 49	114,344 49	53,555 51
		$1,553,072	$125,265 44	$1,375,679 23	$177,392 77

The expenses for the corresponding eleven months, of last year were as follows, viz.: Salaries of Instructors, $1,049,790.26; Salaries of Officers, $53,918.32; Salaries of Janitors, $76,168.21; Fuel, Gas, and Water, $61,626.18; Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses, $92,262.28: making a total of $1,333,765.25.

For the Committee on Accounts,

WM. C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Examinations, to whom was referred — Jan. 27 — an order that the course of study for High Schools be amended so as to provide that a modern language, or drawing, may be substituted for solid geometry as an elective study in the third year, reported that the order ought not to pass.

Course of study High Schools, amendment of. (See page 15.)

Accepted.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order relating to the salary of Helen M. Souther, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Helen M. Souther. (See page 24.)

Ordered, That Helen M. Souther, third assistant in the Emerson District, be placed upon the third year of service in her grade, to date from Feb. 9, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order concerning the salary of Nellie J. Kiggen, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Nellie J. Kiggen. (See page 24.)

Ordered, That Nellie J. Kiggen, third assistant in the Central District, be placed upon the second year of service in her grade to date from Feb. 11, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order that Alice T. Kelley,

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of

Alice T. Kelley. (See page 22.)

second assistant in the Sherwin District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, reported that Miss Kelley has recently been promoted to her present rank from the rank of third assistant, and this promotion gives her an increase in salary. The committee think it would be unwise to set aside the principle which has been established that no teacher promoted to a higher rank shall be advanced beyond the minimum salary of that rank, and they therefore recommend that the order ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Annual Report of the Committee on Salaries; salaries of instructors.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, presented the annual report of that committee [Doc. 1, 1885], containing a schedule of the salaries of instructors for the ensuing year, and recommending the passage of the following orders appended to the report: —

1. *Ordered*, That the salaries of instructors of the public schools be for the ensuing school year as contained in the following schedule. [See Doc. 1, 1885.]

2. *Ordered*, That masters elected as principals of High Schools, whose average whole number for the preceding school year exceeds one hundred pupils, receive $288; sub-masters, elected as principals, $216; first assistants, elected as principals, $72, each, in addition to the regular salary of the rank.

3. *Ordered*, That the salary of a temporary junior-master be at the rate of five dollars per day of actual service.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, so much of the first order as relates to the salaries of teachers in the Evening High and Elementary schools, was laid on the table.

The first order, with the exception of so much as

relates to the salaries of the teachers of Evening High and Elementary schools, passed.

The second order passed.

The third order passed.

Mr. Darling, for the Committee on Horace Mann School, reported the resignation of Manella G. White, assistant in the Horace Mann School, to take effect Feb. 10, 1885. Resignation of Manella G. White.

Accepted.

Mr. Darling, for the same committee, reported the nomination of Caroline T. Keith, as temporary assistant in the Horace Mann School, to date from Feb. 11, 1885. Nomination of teacher, Horace Mann School.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, March 10, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School-Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Blake, Crowley, Elliott, Flint, McCormick, Naphen, Roeth, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley District. — Clara I. Stevens, fourth assistant, from Jan. 5 to Feb. 9, 1885. Temporary teachers.

George Putnam District. — Anna K. Barry, third assistant, from March 2, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Lowell District. — Mary E. Very, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1885. Nomination of a teacher.

Accepted.

The Chair presented a petition signed by 254 parents of pupils, and past members of the Minot School, in favor of the retention of Joseph T. Ward, Jr., as master of the Minot School. Petition in favor of retention of Jos. T. Ward, Jr., as master of Minot School.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division.

Petition of Mrs. F. E. Childs, Jr.; admission of her daughter to school without certificate of vaccination.

The Chair read a communication from Mrs. F. E. Childs, Jr., requesting that her daughter be admitted to the public schools without a certificate of vaccination.

The Superintendent of Schools, being called upon, stated that he was of the opinion that, under the Statutes, the School Committee had not the power to admit a pupil to the public schools who had not been vaccinated.

The petition was referred to the Committee on the Eighth Division.

Report of Committee on Nominations; reëlection of subordinate instructors.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, submitted in print a report nominating for reëlection the subordinate instructors of the several Normal, High, Grammar, and Primary Schools. (Doc. 2, 1885.)

Appended to the report were the following orders: —

Special teachers of languages and sciences in High Schools; abolishment of grade.

1. *Ordered*, That the Committee on High Schools be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of abolishing the grade of special teachers in languages and sciences in High Schools, or of reducing the present number of such teachers.

2. *Ordered*, That extra teachers be allowed in those districts where, from want of seating capacity, or to preserve the present classification, the Committee on Nominations, on the recommendation of the committees in charge, have included them in this report.

The report was accepted.

The first order passed.

Rules suspended.

The second order passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The report was adopted as a whole, the nominations confirmed, and the subordinate teachers contained in the report of the committee (Doc. 2, 1885) were declared reëlected.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, it was

Primary School-house, Harrison avenue, named the Joshua Bates School.

Ordered, That the new primary school-house on Harrison avenue be named the Joshua Bates School.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Florence-street School-house to be fitted for primary-school classes.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the Florence-street school-house in the Charles-Sumner District, to be fitted for the use of primary classes.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, offered the following: —

Election of teachers Evening Drawing Schools; amendment to rules proposed.

Ordered, That Section 48 of the Rules be amended by striking out all after the word "director," in the fifth line, and inserting in place thereof, the following words: "of drawing and special teachers of music. At the first meeting in September they shall nominate to the Board the teachers for the Evening Drawing Schools. They shall report to the Board in writing in September."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Eleanor F. Lang, substitute.

Ordered, That Eleanor F. Lang be approved as a substitute for Flora J. Cutter, fourth assistant in the Dearborn District, granted leave of absence.

Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Mary E. Very.

Ordered, That Mary E. Very, third assistant in the Lowell District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Feb. 5, 1885, on account of previous acceptable service. (See Section 88 of the Rules.)

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, it was

Leave of absence to E. Isabelle Bense. Mary C. Soule, substitute.

Ordered, That leave of absence until April 1, 1885, be granted to E. Isabelle Bense, fourth assistant in the Mather District; and that Mary C. Soule be approved as her substitute.

Annual Report.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Annual Report, presented in print the annual report of the School Committee for 1884.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; special substitute teachers. (See pp. 14, 15, 26.)

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order to the effect that the Committee on Nominations be authorized to appoint special substitute teachers who shall hold themselves ready to serve, under the direction of the Superintendent, as substitutes for absent regular teachers during short periods of time; that the special substitutes so appointed and serving shall not exceed five in number at any one time; that they shall be paid by the teachers in whose places they serve, as provided in Section 187 of the Regulations, and, further, for the time during which they are not teaching, but hold themselves in readiness to do so after their appointment, they shall be paid by the city at the rate of five dollars a week,— beg leave to recommend the passage of the following order as a substitute for the order referred to them: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Nominations be authorized to appoint special substitute teachers, who shall hold themselves ready to serve, under the direction of the Superintendent, as substitutes for absent regular teachers during short periods of time. These special substitutes shall be appointed for a term of service not

exceeding three months from the date of their appointment, and shall not exceed five in number at any one time. When not employed for absent teachers, in accordance with Section 187 of the Regulations, the special substitutes shall report at the office of the Superintendent each school day at quarter before nine o'clock, and quarter before two o'clock, and remain awaiting requests for substitutes until ten o'clock A.M., and three o'clock, P.M.; the compensation to be fifty cents for each half day they report for service in accordance with the foregoing provisions.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs it was

Bartlett-st. School; enlargement of yard of.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses consider the expediency of purchasing additional land to enlarge the school-yard of the Bartlett-street School.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, offered the following: —

Salary of Adelaide M. Odiorne.

Ordered, That Adelaide M. Odiorne, third assistant in the Winthrop District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Feb. 2, 1885, on account of previous acceptable service.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on the Second Division, offered the following: —

Yard of Murray-Chapel School-house to be paved.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the yard of the Murray Chapel School-house, on Bunker-Hill street, to be covered with plank or paved with brick.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, it was

Agnes G. Harrington, substitute.

Ordered, That Agnes G. Harrington be approved as a substitute for Anna M. Prescott, third assistant in the Bunker-Hill District, granted leave of absence.

Report of the Committee on School houses; enlargement of yard of Dudley School-house. (See page 26.)

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order concerning the enlargement of the yard of the Dudley School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the attention of the City Council be respectfully called to the order passed by the School Board, Sept. 28, 1884, requesting the City Council to purchase additional land to extend the yard-room of the Dudley School-house.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses; enlargement of yard of Andrew School-house. (See page 24.)

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — a petition signed by James A. Kemp, and others, praying that the yard of the Andrew School be enlarged, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the yard of the Andrew School-house.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses; site for Horace Mann School- (See page 41.)

Mr. Chapin for the same committee, who were instructed — Feb. 24— to petition the State for the grant of a lot of land for a site for a building for the use of the Horace Mann School, reported that they have petitioned the Legislature for the grant of a lot of land on the corner of Newbury and Exeter streets for such site.

Accepted.

Mr. Fallon offered the following : —

Resignation of Abby S. Hammond.

Ordered, That the resignation of Abby S. Hammond, second assistant in the Shurtleff District, be accepted, to take effect April 1, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of Instructor of Manual Training School. (See page 41.)

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Feb. 24 — an order concerning the salary of the Instructor of the Manual Training School, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the salary of the Instructor of the Manual Training School be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) per annum, for the ensuing school year.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Secret session.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, the doors were closed.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nominations of principals for reëlection.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, submitted a report, in print, nominating for reëlection the principals of the several Normal, Latin, High, and Grammar Schools, with the exception of the principal of the Minot School, which nomination, being in the hands of the Division Committee, was not included in the report.

Accepted.

Recess.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, a recess of five minutes was taken.

At the expiration of the time allowed, the Chair called the Board to order.

Reëlection of principals.

On motion of Mr. Porter, the Board proceeded to ballot for principals of the Normal, Latin, High, and Grammar School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cutter, Murphy, and Hobbs, as a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

Ballot.

The Committee having attended to their duties, reported the whole number of votes to be 17; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13.

Normal School	Larkin Dunton, Head-Master,	had 17
Rice Training School	Lucius A. Wheelock, Master,	" 13
Public Latin "	Moses Merrill, Head-Master,	" 17
Girls' " "	John Tetlow, Master,	" 17
English High "	F. A. Waterhouse, Head-Master,	" 17
Girls' " "	Homer B. Sprague, " "	" 11
East Boston High School	John O. Norris, Master,	" 17
Roxbury " "	Charles M. Clay, Master,	" 17
Dorchester " "	Elbridge Smith, Master,	" 17

Charlestown High School	Caleb Emery, Head Master,	had 17
W. Roxbury " "	George C. Mann, Master,	" 17
Brighton " "	Benjamin Wormelle, Master,	" 16

FIRST DIVISION.

Adams School	Frank F. Preble, Master,	had 17
Chapman "	George R. Marble, "	" 17
Emerson "	James F. Blackinton, Master,	" 17
Lyman "	Hosea H. Lincoln, "	" 17

SECOND DIVISION.

Bunker-Hill School	Samuel J. Bullock, Master,	had 16
Frothingham "	Caleb Murdock, "	" 16
Harvard "	W. E. Eaton, "	" 17
Prescott "	Edwin T. Horne, "	" 17
Warren "	E. Bradford Gay, "	" 17

THIRD DIVISION.

Bowdoin School	Delwin A. Hamlin, Master,	had 15
Eliot "	Samuel Harrington, Master,	" 12
Hancock "	Lewis H. Dutton, Master	" 17
Phillips "	Elias H. Marston, Master,	" 15
Wells "	Orlendo W. Dimick, Master,	" 17

FOURTH DIVISION.

Brimmer School	Quincy E. Dickernan, Master,	had 17
Prince "	E. Bentley Young, Master,	" 17
Quincy "	Alfred Bunker, Master,	" 17
Winthrop "	Robert Swan, Master,	" 15

FIFTH DIVISION.

Dwight School	James A. Page, Master,	had 17
Everett "	Alfred Hewins, Master,	" 17
Franklin "	Granville B. Putnam, Master,	" 13
Sherwin "	Silas C. Stone, Master,	" 17

SIXTH DIVISION.

Andrew School	Joshua M. Dill, Master,	had 17
Bigelow "	Thomas H. Barnes, Master,	" 17
Gaston "	C. Goodwin Clark, Master,	" 16
Lawrence "	Amos M. Leonard, Master,	" 17
Lincoln "	Alonzo G. Ham, Master,	" 17
Norcross "	Fred. O. Ellis, Master,	" 17
Shurtleff "	Henry C. Hardon, Master.	" 15

SEVENTH DIVISION.

Comins School	Charles W. Hill, Master,	had	17
Dearborn "	Harlan P. Gage, Master,	"	17
Dillaway "	Sarah J. Baker, Master,	"	17
Dudley "	Leverett M. Chase, Master,	"	13
George Putnam School	Henry L. Clapp, Sub-Master,	"	16
Lewis "	William L. P. Boardman, Master,	"	17
Lowell "	Daniel W. Jones, Master,	"	16

EIGHTH DIVISION.

Allston School	G. W. M. Hall, Master,	had	17
Bennett "	Walter S. Parker, Master,	"	17
Central "	John T. Gibson, Master,	"	17
Charles Sumner School	Artemas Wiswall, Sub-Master,	"	15
Hillside "	Albert F. Ring, Master,	"	17
Mount Vernon "	Abner J. Nutter, Sub-Master,	"	16

NINTH DIVISION.

Dorchester-Everett School,	Henry B. Miner, Master,	had	15
Gibson "	William E. Endicott, Master,	"	17
Harris "	N. Hosea Whittemore, Sub-Master,	"	17
Mather "	Edward Southworth, Master,	"	17
Stoughton "	Edward M. Lancaster, Sub-Master,	"	14
Tileston "	Hiram M. George, First Assistant,	"	17

Principal reëlected.

The principals, as reported by the committee, with the exception of the principals of the Girls' High and Eliot Schools, having received the necessary number of votes required under the rules to elect, were declared re-elected for the ensuing year.

On motion of Mr. Darling, the Board proceeded to ballot for a master of the Eliot School.

The Chair appointed the same committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

Ballot for Principal of Eliot School. Samuel Harrington re-elected.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 16; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. There was one blank. Samuel Harrington had 16 votes, and was accordingly

declared reëlected as master of the Eliot School for the ensuing year.

On motion of Mr. Eliot, the Board proceeded to ballot for a head-master of the Girls' High School.

Ballot for head-master of Girls' High School.

The Chair appointed the same committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 13; necessary for a choice under the rules, 13. There were 4 blanks.

Homer B. Sprague reëlected.

Homer B. Sprague had 13 votes and was accordngly declared reëlected as head-master of the Girls' High School for the ensuing year.

Reëlection of special instructors in military drill and calisthenics.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, on the recommendation of the Committee on High Schools, reported the following nominations for reëlection, for the school year 1885–6: —

Instructor in Military Drill. — Hobart Moore.

Instructors in Calisthenics. — *Girls' Latin School.* — Martha S. Hussey. — *Girls' High School.* — Helen D. Baright.

Accepted, and the nominations unanimously confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the Committee on the Normal School, it was

Leave of absence to Larkin Dunton.

Ordered, That leave of absence until September next be granted to Larkin Dunton, head-master of the Normal School, from the end of the April vacation.

Report on tardiness of pupils.

The Chair presented the following report of the Secretary on tardiness of pupils in the schools for the month of February: —

TARDINESS. — FEBRUARY, 1885.

District.	Grammar.				Primary.			
	Whole No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	No. of cases of Tardiness.	Ratio of No. of cases of Tardiness to Average Attendance.	Whole No. of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	No. of cases of Tardiness.	Ratio of No. of cases of Tardiness to Average Attendance.
Adams	539	493	96	.19	406	336	100	.30
Allston	453	400	51	.13	402	307	121	.39
Andrew	700	644	82	.13	544	462	86	.19
Bennett	432	381	35	.09	281	192	35	.18
Bigelow	873	811	90	.11	664	577	203	.35
Bowdoin	413	365	95	.26	388	323	152	.47
Brimmer	688	637	119	.19	435	376	132	.35
Bunker Hill	660	608	47	.08	618	529	103	.19
Central	330	301	34	.11	159	129	11	.09
Chapman	636	594	45	.08	337	284	37	.13
Charles Sumner	294	165	149	.90	306	246	83	.34
Comins	1,092	992	124	.13	713	614	161	.26
Dearborn	984	893	190	.21	1,032	871	448	.51
Dillaway	624	546	136	.25	375	311	127	.41
Dor.-Everett	559	507	142	.28	517	401	78	.19
Dudley	721	595	253	.43	604	515	250	.48
Dwight	720	664	53	.08	295	235	75	.32
Eliot	951	858	707	.82	480	407	448	1.10
Emerson	711	651	83	.13	463	412	57	.14
Everett	782	712	57	.08	632	549	215	.39
Franklin	849	754	310	.41	658	561	300	.53
Frothingham	648	581	138	.24	442	375	131	.35
Gaston	533	479	49	.10	769	650	115	.18
George Putnam	299	278	25	.09	190	148	14	.09
Gibson	396	337	83	.25	284	218	40	.18
Hancock	574	526	115	.22	777	687	658	.96
Harris	268	247	44	.18	211	162	31	.19
Harvard	614	558	129	.23	383	313	140	.45
Hillside	326	285	58	.20	236	188	81	.43
Lawrence	981	932	201	.22	940	827	297	.36
Lewis	629	574	55	.10	603	501	155	.31
Lincoln	825	773	69	.09	342	292	72	.25
Lowell	622	552	66	.12	509	433	96	.22
Lyman	593	538	99	.18	581	492	161	.33
Mather	412	372	98	.26	401	299	77	.26
Minot	268	238	114	.48	213	161	64	.40
Mt. Vernon	193	168	97	.58	131	97	9	.09
Norcross	716	654	159	.24	651	572	258	.45
Phillips	746	698	359	.51	479	401	513	1.28
Prescott	487	448	98	.22	461	398	69	.17
Prince	478	414	94	.23	184	131	36	.27
Quincy	633	576	129	.22	723	637	441	.69
Rice	694	630	339	.54	463	344	195	.57
Sherwin	889	808	119	.15	763	681	251	.37
Shurtleff	696	622	273	.44	363	284	68	.24
Stoughton	320	283	167	.59	152	113	71	.63
Tileston	66	58	12	.21	59	42	3	.07
Warren	684	641	35	.05	566	402	57	.14
Wells	472	416	104	.25	670	562	376	.67
Winthrop	1,038	927	631	.68	285	249	206	.83

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the Board adjourned.

Attest: PHINEAS BATES,

Secretary.

In School Committee, March 24, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: all the members except Messrs. Blake, Darling, and Flint.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Bunker Hill District. — Lydia A. Simpson, third assistant, April 1, 1885. Resignation of teachers.

Lyman District. — Gustavus F. Guild, third assistant, February 28, 1885; Nellie L. Poole, second assistant, primary department, April 1, 1885.

Shurtleff District. — Abby S. Hammond, second assistant, April 1, 1885; Catharine A. Dwyer, third assistant, March 31, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Lyman District. — Lena E. Synette, from March 2, 1885. Special assistant, Primary School.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

English High School. — Melvin J. Hill and Walter H. Russell, junior-masters, from March 9 and 10, 1885, respectively.

Allston District. — Mary A. Graves, first assistant, from March 9 to April 1, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Jennie M. Jackson, third assistant, from March 18, 1885.

Norcross District. — Julia S. Dolan, fourth assistant, from January 5, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teachers elected on probation.

Bunker Hill District. — Clara B. Brown, third assistant, from April 1, 1885.

Lyman District. — George R. Keene, third assistant, fourth year, from March 2, 1885; Jane A. Soutter, fourth assistant, from April 1, 1885.

Prescott District. — Nellie J. Breed, fourth assistant. from March 16, 1885.

Shurtleff District. — Anna L. Scallan, third assistant, from April 1, 1885; Catharine A. Dwyer, second assistant, from April 1, 1885.

Accepted.

Reëlection Special Assistants, Primary Schools.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, reported the following special assistants for reëlection to date from April 1, 1885: —

Allston District. — Gertrude R. Clark. *Emerson District.* — Caroline E. Nutter. *Hillside District.* — Mary E. McDonald. *Lincoln District.* — Margaret M. Burns. *Mt. Vernon District.* — Mabel Drake. *Prince District.* — Josephine G. Dearborn. *Quincy District.* — Rosa E. Jones.

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following-named teachers for reelection, for the ensuing school year: —

Report of Committee on Nominations; reëlection of teachers.

Lyman District. — George R. Keene, third assistant, on probation. *Minot District, Principal.* — Joseph T. Ward, Jr., sub-master. *Second assistant.* — Isabel F. P. Emery.

Prescott District. — Nellie J. Breed, fourth assistant, on probation.

Accepted, and the nominations of the subordinate teachers confirmed, and they were declared reëlected.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, the Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Minot District.

Ballot for Principal of the Minot District.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cutter, Hobbs, and Murphy a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee having attended to their duty reported the whole number of votes to be 20; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. Joseph T. Ward, Jr., had 20 votes, and was accordingly declared reëlected principal of the Minot District, with the rank of sub-master.

The Chair presented the following petition: —

Petition relative to reference books in Irish history and literature.

To the Honorable the School Board of the City of Boston: —

The undersigned, citizens of Boston, being fully in favor of an impartial system of public education, would respectfully call your attention to the fact, that, among the works of reference used in the public schools of this city, a history of Ireland is not to be found, and that, with a solitary exception, no works of Irish authors are used in the course of studies pursued in said schools (though by no means scarce, or devoid of merit). While this might be good English policy, it is un-American, because illiberal and unjust to the large number of children of Irish parentage attending the schools, and to their parents, who assist in paying the expenses. Your petitioners claim that it will be but an act of tardy justice to remedy this

state of things, and, if for economical reasons, it may not be deemed advisable this year to expend much for this purpose, that a beginning ought to be made, by placing a history and some standard works in the Normal, High, and other schools containing a large percentage of pupils of Irish descent.

(Signed) JOHN SHEA, and fifty-two others.

Referred to the Committee on Text-books.

Petition for use of Sharp School-house for a Vacation School.

Mr. Hobbs presented a petition from Mrs. Mary D. Brown for the use of the Sharp School-house for a Vacation School.

Referred to the Committee on the Third Division.

Election of Special Instructors in Music.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, reported for reëlection the following-named Special Instructors in Music: —

High Schools. — Julius Eichberg.

Grammar and Primary Schools. — Joseph B. Sharland, Hosea E. Holt, J. M. Mason, Henry G. Carey.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Election of Director of Drawing.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, reported for reëlection for the ensuing school-year, Henry Hitchings, Director of Drawing.

Accepted.

Ballot.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the Board proceeded to ballot for a Director of Drawing.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Gallagher, Hyde, and Dacey a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes. The committee having attended to their duty reported the whole number of votes to be 22; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. Henry Hitchings had 22 votes, and was accordingly declared reëlected Director of Drawing for the ensuing school year.

Henry Hitchings elected.

Horace Mann School; election of temporary teacher.

Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, reported the nomination of Eleanor LeF. Morri-

son, as temporary assistant in the Horace Mann School, to date from March 20, 1885.

Accepted.

Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, reported for reëlection for the ensuing school year the following-named instructors in that school: —

Reëlection of instructors in Horace Mann School.

Principal. — Sarah Fuller.

First Assistant. — Ella C. Jordan.

Assistants. — Mary F. Bigelow, Sarah A. Jordan, Martha F. Metcalf, Hannah Merrill, Ellen Shaw, Kate D. Williams.

Accepted, and the subordinate teachers were declared reëlected.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, the Board proceeded to ballot a principal of the Horace Mann School.

Ballot for Principal of Horace Mann School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Elliott, McCormick, and Davis a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes. The committee having attended to their duty reported the whole number of votes to be 19; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. Sarah Fuller had 19 votes, and was accordingly declared reëlected principal of the Horace Mann School for the ensuing school year.

Sarah Fuller elected.

On motion of Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to Jane M. Bullard, third assistant in the Shurtleff District; and that Annie H. Gardner be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Jane M. Bullard.

Annie H. Gardner, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on the Second Division, it was

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to Anna M. Prescott, third assistant in the Bunker Hill District, and that Agnes G. Harrington be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Anna M. Prescott.

Agnes G. Harrington, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Leave of absence to Susan G. B. Garland.

Ida S. Hammerle, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to Susan G. B. Garland, third assistant in the Lowell District, and that Ida S. Hammerle be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to O. Augusta Welch.

Mary E. Morse, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to O. Augusta Welch, third assistant in the Lowell District, and that Mary E. Morse be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to E. Josephine Page.

Esther M. Meserve, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to E. Josephine Page, second assistant in the Lowell District, and that Esther M. Meserve be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, it was

Leave of absence to Louise P. Arnold.

Mary Bradley, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, on account of illness, be granted to Louise P. Arnold, second assistant in the Hillside District, and that Mary Bradley be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Ella F. Howland.

M. Edna Roome, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until July 1, 1885, be granted to Ella F. Howland, fourth assistant in the Charles Sumner District, and that M. Edna Roome be approved as her substitute.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Persis B. Swett.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence from April 1, 1885, to Sept. 1, 1885, be granted to Persis B.

Swett, first assistant in the Allston District, and that Mary A. Graves be approved as her substitute.

Mary A Graves, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until Sept. 1, 1885, on account of ill health, be granted to Clara H. Balch, assistant in the Roxbury High School, and that Mary A. Tenney be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Clara H. Balch.

Mary A. Tenney, substitute.

Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on Truant-officers, to whom was referred, — Feb. 20, — an order concerning the removal of the head-quarters of the truant-officers, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of Committee on Truant-officers; removal of truant head-quarters to Mason-street building. [See page 23.]

Ordered, That the head-quarters of the truant-officers be removed to the Mason-street building.

Accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Supplies.

Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, reported the following nominations of truant-officers for the school-year 1885–86 : —

Election of truant-officers.

George Murphy, chief; Chase Cole, Charles E. Turner, George M. Felch, James Bragdon, Abraham M. Leavitt, Edward F. Mecuen, Charles S. Wooffindale, Hannibal F. Ripley, Warren A. Wright, Dennis Moore, Jeremiah M. Swett, Samuel McIntosh, Warren J. Stokes, James P. Leeds, Richard W. Walsh, Sumner P. White, and William Sullivan.

Accepted.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Dacey, the vote whereby the report was accepted was reconsidered.

Reconsideration.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. Roeth, the previous question was ordered.

The report was accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salaries of truant-officers.

Ordered, That the salary of the chief truant-officer be at the rate of $1,320 per annum; and that of the other truant-officers be at the rate of $1,200 per annum, to date from April 1, 1885.

Referred to the Committtee on Salaries.

Reëlection of teachers in Schools for Licensed Minors.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors, reported for reëlection until Sept. 1, 1885, the following-named instructors in those schools: Sarah A. Brackett, M. Persis Taylor.

Accepted, and the instructors reëlected until Sept. 1, 1885.

Reëlection of sewing teachers.

Mr. Naphen, for the Committee on Sewing, reported for reëlection for the ensuing school year, the following-named instructors of sewing: —

Eliza A. Baxter, Catherine L. Bigelow, Elizabeth W. Boyd, Sarah J. Bray, Annie E. Brazer, Harriet E. Browne, Helen L. Burton, Catherine J. Cadogan, Eliza M. Cleary, Susan M. Cousens, Isabella Cumming, Kate A. Doherty, Anna J. Goodwin, Catherine G. Hosmer, Olive C. Hapgood, Lizzie S. Kenna, Delia Mansfield, Catherine C. Nelson, Mary E. Patterson, M. Elizabeth Robbins, Martha A. Sargent, Julia A. Skilton, Sarah A. Stall, Frances E. Stevens, Lizzie A. Thomas, Emma A. Waterhouse, Mary A. Willis, Maria L. Young.

Accepted, and the instructors reëlected.

Mr. Gallagher offered the following: —

Rules amended; teachers of music.

Ordered, That Section 82 of the Rules be amended by striking out the words "The Director of Music and"

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the Rules were suspended and the order took its second reading and passed.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the yard of the Eustis-street school-house to be divided by a fence.

Yard of Eustis-street school-house to be divided.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That Alice A. Sanborn, third assistant in the Comins District, be placed upon the third year of service in her grade, to date from February 2, 1885.

Salary of Alice A. Sanborn.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, reported for reëlection for the ensuing school-year, George Smith, instructor in that school.

Reëlection of instructor of Manual Training School.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, to whom was referred — March 10 — a communication from Mrs. F. E. Childs, Jr., requesting that her daughter be admitted to the public schools without a certificate of vaccination, reported that thay have considered the matter and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, as, under the Public Statutes, Chapter 47, § 9, the School Committee has no authority to grant the request.

Report of Committee on Eighth Division; petition of Mrs. F. E. Childs, Jr., for the admission of her daughter to school without certificate of vaccination. [See page 48.]

Accepted.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, to whom was referred — February 10 — the subject of allowing pupils in the Eliot and Hancock Districts to attend the North End Industrial Home, submitted a report of that committee on the subject.

Permission to pupils to attend the North End Industrial Home. [See page 34.]

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Pupils of Roxbury Latin School allowed use of arms, etc., for military drill.

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to allow the pupils of the Roxbury Latin School to use the requisite arms, swords, and accoutrements, in connection with the pupils of the Roxbury High School, as a part of the School Regiment during the remainder of the present school year.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

School Regiment allowed to drill at Soldiers' Home Bazaar.

Ordered, That the School Regiment be allowed to drill at the Soldiers' Home Bazaar.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Text-Books, it was

Text-books in drawing authorized.

Ordered, That the American Text-Books of Art Education be authorized for use in the public schools for the ensuing school year, *provided*, that the books are revised as proposed by the written agreement of the publishers, dated Oct. 14, 1884, in accordance with the expressed wishes of the Committee on Drawing and Music; and that the said books be ready for delivery July 1, 1885; and that the prices of the revised books shall not exceed those of the books now in use.

Report of Committee on School-houses; yard of Murray-Chapel School-house. [See page 51.]

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order relative to the yard of the Murray-Chapel School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the yard of the Murray-Chapel School-house to be put into proper condition as a play-ground for the pupils in that school.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order concerning the Florence-street School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of Committee on School-houses; Florence-street School-house to be fitted for primary-school classes. [See page 49.]

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the Florence-street School-house in the Charles Sumner District to be fitted for the use of primary-school classes.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order concerning the enlargement of the yard of the Austin School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of Committee on School-houses; enlargement of yard of Austin School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the yard of the Austin School-house, by the purchase of additional land.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Feb. 10 — an order concerning additional primary-school accommodations in the Lincoln District, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of Committee on School-houses; additional school accommodations in the Lincoln District. [See page 24.]

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to erect an eight or ten room school-house on Fifth street, near G street, South Boston, for the accommodation of grammar and primary school pupils.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order concerning the salary of Adelaide M. Odiorne, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Adelaide M. Odiorne. [See page 51.]

Ordered, That Adelaide M. Odiorne, third assistant in the Winthrop District be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Feb. 2, 1885, on account of previous acceptable service.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Mary E. Very. [See page 49.]

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order concerning the salary of Mary E. Very, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That Mary E. Very, third assistant in the Lowell District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Feb. 5, 1885, her previous service entitling her to the advanced salary, under Section 88 of the Rules.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Appropriation and expenditures.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement : —

Office of Accounts, Mason St., March 24, 1885.

The Committee on Accounts present to the Board the appropriations and expenditures for the present financial year, also the expenditures for the past financial year.

Object of Appropriation.	Appropriation 1884–85.	Expenditures, 1884–85.	Balance unexpended.	Expenditures, 1883–84.
Salaries, Instructors .	$1,173,152	$1,170,751 71	$1,400 29	$1,147,863 23
Salaries, Officers . .	59,020	60,020 00		58,820 00
School Ex. Salaries, Janitors .	86,000	84,982 91	1,017 09	83,182 71
School Ex. Fuel, Gas, Water .	67,000	61,325 41	5,674 59	66,068 59
School Ex. Supplies & Mis. Ex.	167,900	126,828 66	41,071 34	95,918 99
	$1,553,072	$1,503,908 69	$49,163 31	$1,451,853 52

Balance of the appropriation unexpended . . . $49,163 31

Increase in gross expenditures over last year . . $52,055 17

In addition, $2,163.11 has been expended from a special appropriation of $2,500 for a Manual Training School.

Amount expended for books, drawing materials, and stationery, 1884–85		$89,484 51
Income from sale of books (about)		8,700 00
Net cost for the year		$80,784 51
Amount expended for books, drawing materials and stationery, 1883–84 . .	$63,060 20	
Income from sale of books, 1883–84 . .	48,952 44	
Net cost 1883–84		14,107 76
Increase in cost of the items over last year . . .		$66,676 75

For the Committee on Accounts,

WM. C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, April 14, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: All the members except his Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Darling, Doherty, Elliott, Gallagher, McCormick, and Naphen.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The chair appointed the following committee to make arrangements for, and to take charge of, the Annual School Festival: Messrs. Murphy, Hyde, Darling, Naphen, and Plummer. Committee on Annual School Festival.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Special Assistants, Primary Schools.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Alice B. Besse, from April 13, 1885.

Lyman District. — Lena E. Synette, from April 1, 1885.

Mather District. — Ina F. Cook, from April 13, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Emerson District. — Clara A. Brown, fourth assistant, from April 13, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Oria J. Perry, fourth assistant, from Feb. 15, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Allston District. — May L. Gooch, fourth assistant.

Central District. — Nellie J. Kiggen, third assistant.

Frothingham District. — Harriet E. Frye, first assistant; Arabella P. Moulton, second assistant; Bial W. Willard, second assistant.

Harris District. — Elizabeth P. Boynton, second assistant.

Accepted.

SPECIAL SUBSTITUTES.

Special substitutes.

Mary C. Swift, Marie F. Hill, and Martha E. Scott, to date from April 14, 1885.

Accepted.

Leaves of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following named teachers were granted leaves of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Latin School. — Byron Groce, master, until Sept. 1, 1885; David F. Lincoln, substitute.

Charlestown High School. — Alla F. Young, assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Mary C. C. Goddard, substitute.

Franklin District. — Kate R. Gookin, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Delia L. Viles, substitute.

George Putnam District. — Laura E. Dyer, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Maria F. Bray, substitute.

Harvard District. — Cally E. Gary, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Eudora F. Sumner, substitute.

Report of Committee on Supplies; pupils of Roxbury Latin School allowed the use of arms, etc., for military drill. [See page 68.]

The Committee on Supplies to whom was referred — March 24 — an order that the Committee on High Schools be authorized to allow the pupils of the Roxbury Latin School to use arms, swords, and accoutrements belonging to the city in drilling with the pupils

of the Roxbury High School during the remainder of the present school year, respectfully submit the following report: —

The pupils of the Roxbury Latin School and the Roxbury High School form a part of the Highland Battalion and practise military drill in the same hall. The same arms and accoutrements have heretofore been used by the pupils of the two schools. Your committee has lately purchased, in accordance with an order of the Board, 1,200 guns, 1,200 belts, and 110 swords. This number is sufficient to supply the pupils of our High Schools, and also the pupils of the Roxbury Latin School, — eighty-three in number, — who are drilling with the Highland Battalion; and it is requested that, as a matter of temporary accommodation, these eighty-three pupils may be permitted to use the new arms belonging to the city until the summer vacation.

Although your committee would not think it proper that a permanent grant of the use of this property of the city should be made to the pupils of this school, they recommend that the request be granted until June 30, with the understanding that the permission is not to be extended beyond that time; and they report the order which was referred to them in a new draft, as follows: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to permit the pupils of the Roxbury Latin School to use guns, swords, and belts, belonging to the city, in drilling with the pupils of the Roxbury High School as a part of the Highland Battalion of the School Regiment, until June 30 next.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salaries of truant officers.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — March 24 — an order relative to the salaries of the truant officers, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the salary of the chief truant officer be at the rate of $1,320 per annum; and that of the other truant officers be at the rate of $1,200 per annum, to date from April 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on Fifth Division, it was

Sanitary condition of Sherwin, Franklin, and Rutland-street School-houses.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses be requested to report on the sanitary condition of the Sherwin School-house, the Franklin School-house, and the Rutland-street Primary School-house.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; election of teachers of evening drawing schools. Rules amended. [See page 49.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order proposing an amendment to the Rules concerning the election of teachers of the evening drawing schools, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Section 48 of the Rules be amended by striking out all after the word "director," in the fifth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: "of drawing and special teachers of music. At the first meeting in September they shall nominate to the Board the teachers for the evening drawing schools. They shall report to the Board in writing in September."

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; day-school teachers to teach in evening schools.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order proposing an amendment to the Regulations providing that day-school teachers may be employed in the evening schools, reported that the committee recommend that the Rules and Regulations be suspended so that male teachers in

the day schools may be employed in the evening schools during the next term. The committee are of the opinion that at the end of the term the Board will be better able to decide upon the expediency of permanently amending the Regulations as proposed in the order. The committee recommend the passage of the following order, under a suspension of the rules: —

Ordered, That the male teachers of the day schools be allowed to teach in the evening schools during the next term of those schools, 1885–86.

Accepted, and the order passed under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred — January 27 — an order that the Rules be amended so as to provide that the Committee on Manual Training School shall be a regular standing committee of the Board, and that the Regulations be amended by inserting regulations for that school, reported that the following order ought to pass: — Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Manual Training School. Rules amended. [See page 17.]

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

SECTION 2. Add the following words to the section: "Manual Training School."

SECTION 56. Insert the following as Section 56, and number the succeeding section 57: —

"SECTION 56. The Committee on the Manual Training School shall have the care and management of the school of this name; they shall nominate to the Board, at the second meeting in March, or when a vacancy occurs, a suitable teacher for the school. Annually, in the month of September, they shall submit to the Board a written report on the condition of the school."

Insert the following as Chapter XXIV., and number the succeeding Chapters XXV. and XXVI.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Regulations of the Manual Training School.

SECTION 361. This school is established for the purpose of giving instruction and practice in the use of tools to the pupils

of the public schools, and shall be under the charge of the Committee on the Manual Training School. The sessions of the school shall be such as may be determined by the committee in charge, who shall also prescribe the course of instruction.

SECTION 362. There shall be one instructor for the school, whose salary shall be fixed by the Board in the same manner as the salaries of other instructors are fixed.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the order was amended by inserting after the word "charge," in the sixth line of Section 361, the following words: "subject to the approval of the Board."

The order as amended passed to a second reading.

Boundary lines of Harvard and Warren Districts, change in.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on the Second Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the district lines of the Harvard and Warren Districts, between High and Warren streets, be changed from the present location to the middle of Cordis street, between the two streets named.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

New heating and ventilating apparatus for Harris School-house.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide new heating and ventilating apparatus for the Harris School-house.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on School-houses; enlargement of yard of Bartlett-street School-house. [See page 51.]

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order relative to the enlargement of the yard of the Bartlett-street school-house, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to purchase additional land to enlarge the yard of the Bartlett-street School-house.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses;

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — March 24 — an order relative to the erection

of a fence in the yard of the Eustis-street School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

yard of Eustis-street School-house to be divided. [See page 67.]

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the yard of the Eustis-street School-house to be divided by a fence.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on Truant Officers, offered the following: —

Rules and Regulations of truant officers, printing of.

Ordered, That the Committee on Truant Officers be authorized to print the rules and regulations of the truant officers.

Referred to the Committee on Supplies, with full powers.

Mr. Hyde, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Duties of truant officers; amendments to rules proposed.

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

SECTION 53. Strike out all after the words "shall deem expedient," in the sixth and seventh lines, to and including the words "removed by the Board," in the thirteenth line, and insert in place thereof the following words: "When vacancies occur, or as otherwise ordered by the Board, this committee shall nominate suitable persons for truant officers; when confirmed, such officers shall hold their office during the pleasure of the Board. This committee shall appoint one of the officers chief of the truant force. Annually in the month of February this committee shall suggest a suitable compensation for the truant officers."

Insert the following section: —

SECTION 154. The supervisors shall notify the chief truant officer of any negligence on the part of, and of any complaint against, the truant officers, coming to their knowledge.

SECTION 160. Insert after the word "month," in the sixteenth line, the following words: "The principals shall also state, in these reports, whether the services of the truant officers assigned to their several districts have been satisfactorily performed during the month covered by the report."

Insert the following: —

SECTION 171. Whenever, in the opinion of the principal, the work of the truant officer assigned to his district is not satisfactorily performed the principal shall notify the chief truant officer of the fact.

SECTION 200. Strike out all after the words "for such excuse," in the eleventh line, and insert in place thereof the fol-

lowing: "In notifying the truant officers of the need of their services, the teachers shall use the truant cards and truant blanks only, on which the details in each case shall be clearly stated."

CHAPTER XXIV.

Regulations of the Truant Officers.

SECTION 364. The several school districts having been so grouped together as to make the labors of the officers as nearly equal as possible, each truant officer shall be assigned to one of these groups, and shall be held responsible under these regulations, and such regulations as the Committee on Truant Officers may from time to time prescribe, for the judicious and faithful discharge of the duties of his office. The Committee on Truant Officers shall appoint one of the officers as chief of the truant force, who shall perform such duties as the said committee may prescribe.

SECTION 365. Each truant officer shall give his whole time to the discharge of the duties of his office, except as may be otherwise provided for vacations by the Committee on Truant Officers. He shall endeavor to procure the attendance at school of all the children of the districts assigned to him who are required by law to attend school, and especially of such as are not members of any school, visiting them at their homes or places of employment, or looking after them in the streets for this purpose; and he shall, by persuasion and argument, both with the children and their parents or guardians, and by other means than legal compulsion, strive to secure such attendance. He shall, at least once a month, consult the record-books of certificates of attendance issued to pupils, and see that such pupils return to school on the expiration of the certificates, or report the reason for their not returning, to the principal.

SECTION 366. The truant officers shall not be employed to inquire into the occasional absence of pupils of the public schools who are not suspected of truancy, or be required to visit those suspended by principals, unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Truant Officers. When their services are requested by the teachers to inquire into the absence of pupils suspected of truancy, the truant officers shall take action in those cases only which are reported to them with the details properly given on the regular truant cards furnished for the purpose. When the services of an officer are required by a teacher for any purpose other than that recited above, the teacher shall fill out the special blank (Truant Blank A), furnished for the purpose, clearly stating the details, and the information desired. These blanks shall be countersigned by the principal of the district, except that the principal may designate one teacher in such school buildings in his district as are located at long distances from the grammar school, who shall countersign Blank A in place of the principal; a list of such teachers to be sent to the chief and to the officer of the district. The officers shall investigate all cases properly referred to them and report upon them as soon as possible. They shall note on the back of each truant card and Blank A the date on which their investigations are completed, and affix their signatures. These cards and blanks shall be returned to the principals, who shall indorse them, and

forward them once a week to the chief truant officer. Truant officers shall act in those cases only which are referred to them by the teachers, in the manner set forth in this rule.

SECTION 367. The truant officers shall investigate and report upon cases which may be referred to them, in writing, by any committee or member of the Board, the superintendent, the chief truant officer, or a principal.

SECTION 368. When a truant officer shall be unable, in a district assigned to him, to procure the attendance at school, either public or private, of any child who is an habitual truant, or who is required by the provisions of statute law to attend school, it shall be the duty of such officer, after consultation with any member of the Committee on the Division in which such district is included, or with the Chairman of the Committee on Truant Officers, or the Superintendent of Schools, to procure a warrant and arrest such child, who shall be brought for trial before a magistrate having jurisdiction in the case.

SECTION 369. The chief truant officer shall obtain daily from the office of the Board of Health the reports of all cases of scarlet fever and other diseases dangerous to the public health, and the several truant officers shall immediately give notice thereof to the principals of the schools or districts assigned to them.

SECTION 370. Such officers as may be detailed by the chief shall attend the evening schools when in session, and shall render such services in connection with those schools as may be required of them by the Committee on Evening Schools or the chief.

SECTION 371. The Committee on Truant Officers shall make such further regulations for the government of the truant officers in the discharge of their duties as may be necesssary.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Compensation to Betsey H. Lyford, teacher of school on Spectacle Island. [See pp. 11, 22.]

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, it was

Ordered, That the sum of fifty-eight and $\frac{14}{100}$ dollars ($58.14) be paid to Betsey H. Lyford, for services as teacher of the school on Spectacle Island, for the months of October and December, 1884.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, April 28, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Doherty, Elliott, Hobbs, McCormick, Naphen, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That Section 48 of the Rules be amended by striking out all after the word "director," in the fifth line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: "of drawing and special teachers of music. At the first meeting in September, they shall nominate to the Board the teachers for the Evening Drawing Schools. They shall report to the Board in writing in September."

Rules amended; election of teachers of Evening Drawing Schools. [See pp. 49, 76.]

Passed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

Rules and Regulations amended; Manual Training School. [See pp. 17, 77.]

Section 2. Add the following words to the section: "Manual Training School."

Section 56. Insert the following as Section 56, and number the succeeding section 57: —

"Section 56. The Committee on the Manual Training School shall have the care and management of the school of this name; they shall nominate to the Board, at the second meeting in March, or when a vacancy occurs, a suitable teacher for the school. Annually, in the month of September, they shall submit to the Board a written report on the condition of the school."

Insert the following as Chapter XXIV., and number the succeeding Chapters XXV. and XXVI.

CHAPTER XXIV.

Regulations of the Manual Training School.

SECTION 361. This school is established for the purpose of giving instruction and practice in the use of tools to the pupils of the public schools, and shall be under the charge of the Committee on the Manual Training School. The sessions of the school shall be such as may be determined by the committee in charge, subject to the approval of the Board, who shall also prescribe the course of instruction.

SECTION 362. There shall be one instructor for the school, whose salary shall be fixed by the Board in the same manner as the salaries of other instructors are fixed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the order was amended by striking out the words "instruction and practice in the use of tools," in the second line of Section 361, and inserting in place thereof the following words, "manual instruction."

The order as amended passed.

The chair read the following: —

Communication from Francis L. Capen.

BOSTON, Tuesday, April 28, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of School Committee of the City of Boston: —

GENTLEMEN, — May I crave permission, after a period of study of more than a third of a century, for the careful development and verification of the matter in hand, to ask the attention of the Board to a new science, the discovery of which is due largely and primarily, if not wholly, to the admirable and very thorough system of school instruction, maintained in Boston for the past half century, and for which, if true, this system should not only receive, but welcome, the credit therefor, to which it is justly entitled. Of course, no statement like the above can be entertained a moment without actual, ample, and clear demonstration before parties well versed in the common principles of natural philosophy. My simple purpose, therefore, in this communication, is to ask the favor of a hearing before a sub-committee of your Honorable Board, appointed for the purpose, in order to set the points above named clearly before you, and to show their close relation to the Boston school system of instruction. Hoping the suggestion of this mode of first ascertaining whether this matter be worthy the notice of the whole Board, may I also request that, if the committee please, they also ask the attendance at such hearing of some thorough, rigid, and exacting scientific gentleman, eminently expert in science, as, for instance, Prof. B. A. Gould, recently from South America, or whomsoever else it may please the committee to invite, to scrutinize my demonstration and weigh my proofs.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

Sincerely and truly, gentlemen, yours,

FRANCIS L. CAPEN.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Tileston District. — Katie E. Shea, from April 16, 1885. Special assistant, Primary School.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Mather District. — Ina F. Cook, fourth assistant, from April 27, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Minot District. — Josephine Garland, second assistant, from April 13, 1885.

Norcross District. — Caroline Bernhard, third assistant, from Feb. 2, 1885; Julia S. Dolan, fourth assistant, from April 13, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Lawrence District. — Ellen E. Leary, third assistant, from March 9, 1885. Teacher elected on probation.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Charlestown High School. — Abbie F. Nye, assistant. Confirmation of a teacher.

Accepted.

TRANSFER.

Minot District. — Isabel F. P. Emery, second assistant, to the same position in the Stoughton District, the transfer to date from April 13, 1885. Transfer of a teacher.

Accepted.

The rules were suspended, and the transfer confirmed. Rules suspended.

Committee on Annual School Festival, changes in.

Mr. Plummer was excused, at his request, from serving upon the Committee on the Annual School Festival.

The Chair appointed Mr. Lasker to fill the vacancy on that committee caused by the resignation of Mr. Plummer.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Clara J. Raynolds.

Bowdoin District. — Clara J. Raynolds, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Ada K. Richards, substitute.

Flora J. Cutter.

Dearborn District. — Flora J. Cutter, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Eleanor F. Lang, substitute.

Mary K. Wallace.

Mary F. Neale.

Mary K. Wallace, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Jennie E. Hintz, substitute. Mary F. Neale, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Abby W. Sullivan, substitute.

Margaret J. Stewart.

Lincoln District. — Margaret J. Stewart, first assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Lillian M. Towne, substitute.

Ellen A. Pratt.

Warren District. — Ellen A. Pratt, second assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Isabel G. Winslow, substitute.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Salary of James A. Beatley.

Ordered, That James A. Beatley, assistant in the Roxbury High School, be placed upon the maximum salary of his grade, to date from April 1, 1885, by reason of his specially excellent services, and the difficulties of his teaching in different parts of the building.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That Friday, May 15, be appointed for the annual parade of the school regiment, and that May 28 and 29 be appointed for the prize exhibitions in military drill.

School regiment; annual parade and prize exhibitions.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — April 14 — an order requesting this committee to report upon the sanitary condition of the Franklin, Sherwin, and Rutland-street School-houses, reported that they requested the Board of Health to examine and report upon the sanitary condition of these school-houses. The following is the report the Board of Health submitted to this committee: —

Report of the Committee on School-houses; sanitary condition of Franklin, Sherwin, and Rutland-street School-houses. [See page 76.]

BOSTON, April 24, 1885.

To the Board of Health: —

GENTLEMEN,— The Committee on School-houses having requested an examination into the sanitary condition of the Sherwin and Franklin Grammar School-houses, and also the Rutland-street Primary, I herewith submit the following: —

Report of Board of Health on sanitary condition of Franklin, Sherwin, and Rutland-street School-houses.

On Wednesday last I inspected the Rutland-st. Primary, and found no nuisance existing at the time; the teachers on the upper floor reported that sometimes an offensive odor was perceptible at the sinks, though I could detect none.

There were no traps under the sinks, there being a main one in the cellar, which answered for all.

If the strainers were off at the sinks I dare say it is possible for a disagreeable odor to be noticed at times which might come from the inside of the waste-pipe, and not from the street sewer.

Separate trapping for each sink would, in all probability, do away with the evil complained of.

The vaults are in the yard, and were not offensive at the time I was there; but teachers say that there are times when the odor is quite offensive, even in some of the school-rooms.

A properly-constructed flushing-vault, with sufficient water to flush both it and the urinal, would, with proper care, entirely abate this nuisance. Nothing else was complained of at this school.

I examined the Franklin School to-day, and here the only matter complained of was the vault in the yard; but to-day they were not in a state of nuisance. What is said about the vault at the Rutland-st. Primary will equally apply here, leaving out the urinal, as that is entirely a girls' school.

I found nothing wrong in the building, and the master said he had no complaint to make.

The sinks were all well and separately trapped, with no unpleasant odor therefrom.

I also inspected the Sherwin School-house to-day, and found no unpleasant odor in any part of the building. The inspection was made just after recess, when the urinals were being flushed.

Mr. Stone, the master, informed me that there were times when the odors from the urinals were very bad from want of proper flushing, also from one of the vaults which was left a week without being flushed. The vaults and urinals are located in the cellar, and I dare say that there could be an improvement made in their construction and location.

But, no matter how well constructed, yet they cannot be kept from being offensive at times without a proper supply of water for flushing purposes, and this will apply in all cases when water is used for flushing vaults and urinals.

I am satisfied, from careful observation, that the flushing vault and flushing urinal is the best device yet found out for school-houses, for sanitary purposes.

I am informed that in some instances janitors, in order to save water, only flush at intervals. This is all wrong, and it seems to me that they should be positively directed to use sufficient water for flushing purposes to prevent any offensive odors from arising.

Why the janitors do not properly flush is not for me to inquire into. I can only say that the vaults and urinals, more particularly the urinals, are not always properly flushed, and in such instances they were more or less offensive; but in no case where water has been properly used have I found the slighest offensive odor.

(Signed)

BENJ. MERIAM,
Inspector.

Your committee are of the opinion that if the janitors of the school-houses are instructed to see that the vaults and urinals are properly flushed, the causes for many complaints as to the sanitary condition of our school-houses will be removed.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Vote of thanks to Charles K. Dillaway, for gift of clock to Dillaway School.

Ordered, That the thanks of the School Board be given to Mr. Charles K. Dillaway for the gift of a valuable clock, which has been placed in the Dillaway School.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the Committee on Supplies, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to report in print, and that six hundred copies of the report be printed.

Committee on supplies authorized to report in print.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause repairs to be made in the Central School-building, — increasing the seating capacity of the master's room, providing a new coat-room, improved ventilation, and new floors in four rooms.

Repairs of Central School-house.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

On motion of Mr. Davis, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Examinations be instructed to consider and report whether it is inexpedient to continue the printing of the tabulated returns as to tardiness, with the minutes of the Board.

Printing the tabulated returns of tardiness in school in the minutes.

Mr. Plummer offered the following: —

Ordered, That it is inexpedient to purchase flowers for presentation at the Annual School Festival.

Presentation of flowers at the Annual School Festival.

Referred to the Committee on Annual School Festival.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on Truant-Officers, it was

Ordered, That William Sullivan, truant-officer, be discharged from the service of the city, for cause.

Discharge of William Sullivan, truant-officer.

Mr. Dacey, for the Committee on the Third Division, to whom was referred — March 24 — the petition of Mrs. James Brown for the use of the Sharp School-house for a vacation school, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of the Committee on the Third Division; use of Sharp School house for a vacation school. [See page 62.]

Ordered, That Mrs. James Brown be allowed, as in former years, to make use of such rooms as she may require in the Sharp School-house for a vacation school; the same to be without expense to the city.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Permission to pupils to attend the North-End Industrial Home. [See pp. 34, 67.]

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the order appended to the report of the Committee on Manual Training School on subject of allowing pupils to attend the North-End Industrial Home (School Doc. 3, 1885), was taken from the table. The order is as follows: —

Ordered, That the children attending the Eliot and Hancock Schools, whose parents or guardians so request in writing, be permitted to attend, on probation, the North-End Industrial Home two hours a week.

Mr. Crowley moved the following order as a substitute: —

Manual instruction in printing, etc.

Ordered, That the order be recommitted to the Committee on the Manual Training School, and that they consider and report — in print if they deem it expedient — upon the feasibility of providing instruction to boys of the public schools in printing, carpenter-work, and shoemaking; and to girls, in printing, cooking, housekeeping, and laundry-work; and what appropriation may be necessary therefor.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion to substitute was lost by the following vote: —

Yeas and nays.

Yeas. — The Mayor, Mr. Crowley — 2.

Nays. — Messrs. Blake, Cutter, Dacey, Darling, Davis, Eliot, Fallon, Flint, Gallagher, Hyde, Lasker, Murphy, Plummer, Porter, and Williamson — 15.

Mr. Crowley moved to amend the order presented by the committee by inserting after the words "North-End Industrial Home" the words "and other institutions and schools."

Lost.

The order as presented by the committee passed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on the Manual Training School consider and report — in print if they deem it expedient — upon the feasibility of providing instruction to boys of the public schools in printing, carpenter-work, and shoe-making; and to girls, in printing, cooking, housekeeping, and laundry-work; and what appropriation may be necessary therefor. Manual instruction in printing, etc.

The Chair presented the report of the secretary on tardiness of pupils in the schools for the month of March. Report on tardiness of pupils.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Davis, it was

Ordered, That the secretary's report on tardiness for the month of March be not printed in the minutes.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,

Secretary.

In School Committee, May 12, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: All the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Crowley, Elliott, Hyde, McCormick, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Naphen, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Stoughton District. — Mary Trumbull, second assistant, April 30, 1885; Elizabeth H. Page, second assistant, June 1, 1885. Resignation of teachers.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Bowdoin District. — Agnes C. Moore, from April 20, 1885. Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Comins District. — Lucy G. M. Card, from April 23, 1885.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Grace W. Stevens, from April 21, 1885.

Hancock District. — Lucy A. G. McGilvray, from April 20, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Allston District. — Ella L. Chittenden, fourth assistant, from April 20, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Brimmer District. — Mary E. W. Hagerty, third assistant, from May 4, 1885.

Chapman District. — M. Alice Robinson, fourth assistant, from April 23, 1885.

Hancock District. — Isabel Whitcomb, third assistant, from May 4, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Mabel Drake, fourth assistant, from May 1, 1885.

Norcross District. — Caroline Bernhard, third assistant, from May 4, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Oria J. Perry, fourth assistant, from May 15, 1885.

Stoughton District. — Mary P. Howland, third assistant, from May 1, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teacher elected on probation.

Stoughton District. — Elizabeth H. Page, first assistant, from June 1, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Adams District. — Anna E. Reed, second assistant, Primary Department.

Chapman District. — Hannah F. Crafts, second assistant, Primary Department.

Harvard District. — Mary A. Lovering, third assistant.

Lyman District. — Anna I. Duncan, second assistant, Primary Department; Fidelia D. Merrick, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

Rank of Edward M. Lancaster, principal of the Stoughton School.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, reported that the average whole number of pupils belonging to the Stoughton School during the preceding quarter entitles the principal to the rank of master. Under the provi-

sions of Section 226, paragraph 4, of the Regulations, the committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the rank of Edward M. Lancaster, principal of the Stoughton School, be that of master; and that, on account of previous acceptable service as master, he be placed upon the third year of service in his grade, to date from June 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Esther F. Nichols.

Andrew District. — Esther F. Nichols, second assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885.

Florence Bicknell.

Bennett District. — Florence Bicknell, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Anna L. Hooker, substitute.

Annie B. Hunter.

Bunker Hill District. — Annie B. Hunter, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Elizabeth J. Doherty, substitute.

Lydia G. Wentworth.

Dillaway District. — Lydia G. Wentworth, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Annie F. Bayley, substitute.

Mary A. Ford.

Emerson District. — Mary A. Ford, first assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Marie F. Hill, substitute.

Mary E. Sawyer.

Quincy District. — Mary E. Sawyer, fourth assistant, until July 1, 1885; Kate A. Kiggen, substitute.

Jane S. Bullard.

Shurtleff District. — Jane S. Bullard, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Annie H. Gardner, substitute.

Elizabeth A. Withey.

Winthrop District. — Elizabeth A. Withey, third assistant, until June 1, 1885; Martha E. Scott, substitute.

Mary J. Danforth.

Mary J. Danforth, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Caroline Merrill, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, it was

Wait School-house; use of for a vacation school.

Ordered, That permission be granted to Mrs. J. W. Andrews, in behalf of the South End vacation school, to use the Wait School-house as a vacation school during the months of July and August, the same to be without expense to the city.

Petition of Wm. Sullivan for hearing on his discharge from the position of truant-officer.

Mr. Naphen presented a petition from William Sullivan, asking for a hearing relative to his discharge from the position of truant-officer.

Referred to the Committee on Truant-Officers, with instructions to give a hearing to the petitioner.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following: —

Additional Primary-School accommodations in Dearborn District. Rules suspended.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional primary-school accommodations in the Dearborn District.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Examinations; communication from Francis L. Capen. [See page 84.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Examinations, to whom was referred — April 28 — a communication from Mr. Francis L. Capen, reported that it is inexpedient to legislate upon the matter at the present time.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Examinations; tabulated reports on tardiness discontinued. [See page 89.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, who were instructed — April 28 — to consider and report whether it is expedient to continue the printing of the tabulated returns as to tardiness, with the Minutes of the Board, reported recommending that the tabulated reports of the Secretary upon tardiness be discontinued.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations relating to the duties of truant-officers. [See pp. 79, 80, 81.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — April 14 — an order proposing certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations, relating to truant-officers, reported that the order as printed on pages 79, 80, 81 of the Minutes ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Mr. Roeth moved that the rules be suspended, and that the order take its second reading.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to report in print, and that seven hundred and fifty copies of the report be printed.

Committee on Accounts authorized to report in print.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, that portion of the first order, of the report of the Committee on Salaries, relating to the salaries of teachers of the Evening High and Elementary Schools was taken from the table.

Annual Report of the Committee on Salaries; salaries of teachers of evening schools. [See page 44.]

Mr. Plummer moved that the salaries of the teachers of the Evening High and Elementary Schools be fixed at the rates recommended by the Committee on Salaries in their report (Doc. 1, 1885), as follows: —

Principal Evening High School (per week); first year, $30; second year, $40; third year and subsequently	$50 00
Assistants, Evening High School (per evening)	4 00
Principals, Evening Elementary Schools (per evening)	4 00
Assistants, Evening Elementary Schools (per evening)	1 50

The motion passed, and the salaries of the teachers of the Evening High and Elementary Schools were declared fixed at the above named rates for the year 1885–86.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — March 24 — an order concerning the salary of Alice A. Sanborn, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Alice A. Sanborn. [See page 67.]

Ordered, That Alice A. Sanborn, third assistant in the Comins District, be placed upon the third year of service in her grade, to date from Feb. 2, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — April 28 — an order concerning the salary

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of

James A. Beatley. [See page 86.]

d to Mrs. J. W. of James A. Beatley, reported that ation school, ought to pass: —

Ordered, That James A. Beatley, assistant in the Roxbury High School, be placed upon the maximum salary of his grade, to date from April 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Roeth offered the following: —

Manual Training School; to be continued through summer vacation.

Ordered, That the sessions of the Manual Training School be continued through the summer vacation.

Referred to the Committee on Manual Training School.

Report of special committee on appointment of an Instructor in Hygiene. [See page 40.]

Mr. Eliot, for the special committee appointed — Feb. 24 — to consider and report on the expediency of creating the office of Instructor in Hygiene, re in their opinion, as in that of several previous committees reporting to this Board, it is expedient to create the office, and to appoint a regularly educated and fully qualified physician to fill it. They recommend the passage of the following orders: —

1. *Ordered*, That the office of Instructor in Hygiene be established.

2. *Ordered*, That a Standing Committee on Hygiene be created, and that the nomination of a candidate for the instructorship be referred to such committee.

3. *Ordered*, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to extend the Rules and Regulations in conformity with these orders, and to define the duties of Instructor in Hygiene.

Accepted, and the orders specially assigned for consideration at the next meeting of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

Mr. Roeth mo

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, May 26, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice President in the chair.

Present: All the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Davis, McCormick, Naphen, Walker, and Williamson.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows (see pages 79, 80, 81). Rules and Regulations amended; duties of truant officers.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the order was amended as follows, — Section 53, by inserting after the words "shall appoint" in the eighth line, the words "subject to the approval of the Board." Section 364, by inserting after the words "shall appoint," in the eighth line, the words "subject to the approval of the Board."

The order, as amended, passed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Bowdoin District. — Louise M. Thurston, from April 27, 1885. Special assistant, Primary School.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School. — Annabel Stetson, assistant, from May 4 to July 1, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Charles Sumner District. — Maud G. Leadbetter, fourth assistant, from May 18, 1885.

Dillaway District. — Cordelia G. Torrey, third assistant, from April 28, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL SUBSTITUTES.

Special substitutes.

Alice Patten, Jennie W. Papworth, to date from May 26, 1885.

Accepted.

Transfer of Silas C. Stone.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported the transfer of Silas C. Stone, principal of the Sherwin School, to the same position in the Hyde School, the transfer to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted, and the transfer confirmed.

Report of Joint Committee on Nominations and Fifth Division; principal of Sherwin School.

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations and Fifth Division, reported the following unanimous nomination of a candidate for the position of principal of the Sherwin School, — Frank A. Morse, master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

Ballot for principal of Sherwin School.

The Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Sherwin School.

The chair appointed Messrs. Roeth, Murphy, and Cutter, a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 16 ; necessary for a choice, under the rule, 13. Frank A. Morse had 16 votes, and was accordingly declared elected principal of the Sherwin School, with the rank of master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Frank A. Morse elected.

Mr Flint offered the following : —

Ordered, That Frank A. Morse, elected master of the Sherwin School, be placed upon the third year of service in his grade, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Salary of Frank A. Morse.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following-named teachers were granted leaves of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Leaves of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Dwight District. — Georgiana Benjamin, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Mabel C. Friend, substitute.

Georgiana Benjamin.

Emerson District. — Hannah L. Manson, fourth assistant, until July 1, 1885, without pay.

Hannah L. Manson.

Franklin District. — Kate R. Hale, fourth assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Clara I. Stevens, substitute.

Kate R. Hale.

Phillips District. — Edward P. Shute, sub-master, until Sept. 1, 1885; William H. Brown, substitute.

Edward P. Shute.

Wells District. — Mary F. Gargan, second assistant, Primary Department, until July 1, 1885; Lillian W. Prescott, substitute.

Mary F. Gargan.

On motion of Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Text-books, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Text-books be authorized to report in print.

Committee on Text-books authorized to report in print.

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Text-books, to whom was recommitted — Dec. 9, 1884 — the report of that committee upon the order that no book shall be used in the public schools as a text-book, reference-book, or otherwise, without the approval of the Committee on Text-books, reported that no legislation is necessary in the matter.

Report of Committee on Text-books; approval of all books used in the public schools.

Accepted.

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Text-books, presented the annual report of that committee, in

Annual Report of Committee on Text-books.

Special assignment.

print [Doc. 8, 1885], which was specially assigned for consideration to half-past eight o'clock of the next meeting of the Board.

Petition for establishment of grammar classes in Gibson School-house. [See page 40.]

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on Ninth Division, to whom was referred — Feb. 24 — a petition praying that two or three grammar-school classes be formed in the Gibson School-house, School street, reported that the committee hope to organize a new grammar class in this building in the fall, and will organize other classes there as the number of pupils increases. The committee report that no immediate action is necessary.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers; hearing to Wm. Sullivan. [See page 96.]

Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on Truant Officers, reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Board — May 12 — they have given a hearing to William Sullivan, recently discharged from the position of truant officer, and see no reason to change their former recommendation.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers: reduction of truant force.

Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, reported that in their judgment the truant force of the city would be as efficient, and the work done as well, if not better than at present, by reducing the force. Your committee are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to fill the vacancy now existing, and that it is advisable to reduce the force by the discontinuance of two of the present officers.

For several years it has been the custom to assign a truant officer to the work in connection with the licensed minors. The chief duties of this officer are to recommend the issuing of licenses, keeping a record of the same, and seeing that the regulations under which they are issued are observed. These duties are performed under the direction of the Board of Aldermen, and should, in the opinion of this committee, be performed by

an officer appointed and paid by that Board. Most of the licensed minors attend the regular schools, and their absences are investigated by the truant officers assigned to the schools where these pupils attend. There seems to be no good reason for continuing the custom of assigning a truant officer to work which must be performed under the direction and control of the Board of Aldermen.

Your committee recommend the passage of the following orders: —

Ordered, That, in the opinion of the School Board, the work of issuing and recording licenses to minors, and the oversight of minors so licensed being under the sole direction and control of the Board of Aldermen, should be performed by an officer appointed and paid by that Board; and that in the future such work shall not be assigned to a truant officer.

Ordered, That the present truant force be reduced by the dismissal of two officers, and that the Committee on Truant Officers be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board the names of two truant officers for dismissal.

Accepted, and the orders laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, it was

Ordered, That, on the application of Mrs. Augustus Hemenway, the use of the Tennyson-street school-house be allowed, as in past years, for purposes of a vacation school; the same to be without expense to the city.

Tennyson-street School-house; use of, for a vacation school.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Examinations, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be authorized to issue a certificate of qualification of special grade

Certificate of qualification to Nellie M. Howes.

as teacher of the school on Spectacle Island to Nellie M. Howes, to date from May 8, 1885.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Lasker offered the following: —

Extension of summer vacation.

Ordered, That for the present year the vacation of the public schools be extended until the second Monday in September, instead of to the first Monday, as ordered by the Regulations.

Mr. Lasker moved that the rules be suspended in order to allow the passage of the order.

The motion to suspend the rules was lost.

Annual Report of Committee on Supplies.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on Supplies, submitted the annual report of that committee in print [Doc. 6, 1885], which was accepted.

Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Graduating exercises, Mount Vernon and Charles Sumner schools.

Ordered, That the graduating exercises of the Mount Vernon and Charles Sumner Schools be held on Monday, June 29, 1885.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Communication from Francis L. Capen.

The Chair presented a communication from Francis L. Capen, relative to the discovery and development of a new science, which was referred to the Committee on Examinations.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

King-street School-house; use of, for a vacation school.

Ordered, That Mrs. James F. Vila be granted the use of such rooms as she may require in the King-street school-house, for a vacation school; the same to be without expense to the city.

Report of Committee on Annual School Festival; presentation of

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Annual School Festival, to whom was referred — April 28 — an order proposing that the presentation of flowers to graduates

at the School Festival be discontinued, reported that the order ought not to pass.

flowers to graduates.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Eliot, the special assignment, being the consideration of the orders appended to the report of the Special Committee on an Instructor in Hygiene, was taken up.

Special assignment; Report of Special Committee on appointment of an Instructor in Hygiene. [See page 98.]

After discussion the orders were referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, June 9, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the Chair.

Present: All the members except Mr. Walker.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Girls' Latin School. — Mary S. Locke, assistant, Sept. 1, 1885. Resignation of teachers.

Charlestown High School. — Caleb Emery, head-master, Sept. 1, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Frank A. Morse, sub-master; Elizabeth B. Walton, second assistant, Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Dearborn District. — Nellie Perry, from May 18, 1885. Special assistant, Primary School.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

English High School. — Melvin J. Hill and Walter H. Russell, junior-masters, from June 9 and 10, 1885, respectively. Temporary teachers.

Dearborn District. — Nellie Perry, fourth assistant, from June 1 to July 1, 1885.

George Putnam District. — Anna K. Barry, third assistant, from June 2, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teachers elected on probation.

Bennett District. — Anna L. Hooker, fourth assistant, from May 28, 1885.

Sherwin District. — John R. Morse, sub-master, and Elizabeth B. Walton, first assistant, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

TRANSFERS.

Transfers of teachers.

Sherwin District. — Julia F. Long, Lucy L. Burgess, first assistants; Sarah R. Bonney, second assistant; E. Elizabeth Boies, Marion Henshaw, Harriet A. Lewis, Alice G. Maguire, Caroline K. Nickerson, third assistants, — to the same positions respectively, in the Hyde District, the transfers to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

Report Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools; nomination of principal of Charlestown High School.

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools, reported the following unanimous nomination of a candidate for the position of principal of the Charlestown High School: John O. Norris, head-master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

The Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Charlestown High School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cutter, McCormick, and Roeth a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

Ballot for principal of Charlestown High School.

The committee having attended to that duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 21; necessary for a

choice under the rule, 13. John O. Norris had 21 votes, and was accordingly declared elected principal of the Charlestown High School, with the rank of head-master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

John O. Norris elected.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Resolved, That this Board accepts with regret the resignation of Caleb Emery, head-master of the Charlestown High School.

Resolutions on resignation of Caleb Emery.

Resolved, That we fully appreciate the long and devoted services he has rendered to the city, and that in retiring from official connection with our public schools he carries with him our sincere wishes for his continued health and prosperity.

Passed unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to report, at the next meeting of the Board, the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations, to conform to the provisions of the Act passed by the Legislature, amending the City Charter.

Amendments to Rules and Regulations to conform to City Charter as amended.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge the following-named teachers were granted leaves of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Leaves of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Dorchester High School. — Mary W. Hall, first assistant, from Sept. 1, 1885, until April 1, 1886, without pay.

Mary W. Hall.

Dor.-Everett District. — Helen M. Hills, second assistant, until July 1, 1885; Jennie W. Papworth, substitute. Annie W. Ford, fourth assistant, until July 1, 1885; Elizabeth R. Wallis, substitute.

Helen M. Hills.

Annie W. Ford.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the dates of the graduating exercises of the several High Schools, as follows: —

Dates of graduating exercises, High Schools.

Girls' High School, Tuesday, June 30, at 9.30 A.M.

English High School, Tuesday, June 30, at 11 A.M.

Dorchester High School, Tuesday, June 30, at 3 P.M.

West Roxbury High School, Wednesday, July 1, at 10.30 A.M.

East Boston High School, Wednesday, July 1, at 3 P.M.

Brighton High School, Wednesday, July 1, at 7.30 P.M.

Charlestown High School, Thursday, July 2, at 9 A.M.

Roxbury High School, Thursday, July 2, at 3 P.M.

Accepted.

Death of Lucius H. Buckingham.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the death of Lucius H. Buckingham, late master in the English High School.

Placed on file.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Salary of Lucius H. Buckingham.

Ordered, That the salary of Lucius H. Buckingham, late master of the English High School, be continued till Sept. 1, 1885, and paid to his family or legal representatives.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, it was

Boundary lines of School Districts in Fifth and Seventh Divisions.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses be instructed to consider and report at the next meeting such changes in the boundary lines of the school districts in the Fifth and Seventh Divisions as may be desirable.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, offered the following: —

Salary of John R. Morse.

Ordered, That John R. Morse, elected sub-master of the Sherwin School, be placed upon the sixth year of service in his grade, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Report of Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors, presented the following report: —

In 1867 the Board of Aldermen established regulations for the government of minors licensed to sell papers and black boots in the streets of the city. One of the conditions was that an applicant for a license should attend school a certain number of hours during the day. The coöperation of the School Committee was solicited, and the matter submitted to them for consideration. A special committee of the School Board, to whom the subject was referred, reported in favor of the establishment of three schools, each to be taught by one female teacher of the rank of assistant in a Grammar School, for the instruction of minors licensed as hawkers and pedlers or boot-blacks. In November, 1867, two schools for licensed minors were established, — one in East-street place, and the other in North Margin street. Miss Sarah A. Brackett and Miss M. Persis Taylor (the present instructors) were elected as teachers of these schools. A part of the pupils attended school in the morning, and a part in the afternoon. A special committee of the Board was appointed to take general charge of the schools.

In 1877 a truant-officer, with the title of Superintendent of Licensed Minors, was assigned to these schools. This officer also had charge of the issuing and recording of licenses, and the general oversight of all minors so licensed. Although this officer has been appointed and paid by the School Committee the majority part of his work has been performed under the direction of the Board of Aldermen.

Gradually these licensed minors have been induced to attend the regular schools, and consequently the

number attending the special schools has been very much decreased. The committee were compelled, a short time ago, to consolidate the two schools, bringing both schools together in one building.

After due and careful consideration your committee have come to the conclusion that it will be for the best interests of the licensed minors and the schools, to discontinue the special schools for licensed minors, and accommodate the children in the ungraded classes connected with the Grammar Schools. In certain school districts additional ungraded classes should be allowed by the Board, for the accommodation of this class of pupils. Your committee recommend the passage of the following orders: —

Ordered, That the Schools for Licensed Minors be discontinued Sept. 1, 1885, and that the pupils now attending them be accommodated in the ungraded classes connected with the Grammar Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to report the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations to conform to the provisions of the foregoing order.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, it was

Howe Primary School-house, use of for a vacation school.

Ordered, That Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw be granted the use of a room in the Howe Primary School-house, during the months of July and August, for a vacation school, the same to be without expense to the city.

Mr. Chapin offered the following: —

Holiday, June 17.

Ordered, That the public schools be closed on Wednesday, June 17.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the graduating exercises in the Gibson School be dispensed with for this year.

Graduating exercises Gibson School dispensed with.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Examinations, to whom was referred — May 26 — the communication from Francis L. Capen, relative to the discovery and development of a new science, report that it is inexpedient to take action in the matter.

Report of Committee on Examinations; communication from Francis L. Capen. [See pp. 84, 96, 104.]

Accepted.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That Section 141 of the Regulations be amended by striking out the second paragraph of the section, page 23, beginning with the words "The papers written by pupils."

Reëxamination of diploma examination questions; amendment to Regulations proposed.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That Section 254 of the Regulations be amended by striking out all after the words "entitled to a diploma," in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the following words, "but in the cases of those pupils who take the advanced course the award of the full diploma shall be deferred until the fourth year's course is completed.

Award of Diplomas, High Schools; amendment to Regulations proposed.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Dacey, the following orders appended to the report of the Committee on Truant-Officers (see page 103) were taken from the table.

Report of Committee on Truant-Officers; reduction of truant force. [See pp. 102, 103.]

Ordered, That, in the opinion of the School Board, the work of issuing and recording licenses to minors, and the oversight of minors so licensed being under the sole direction and control of the Board of Aldermen, should be performed by an officer appointed and paid by

that Board; and that in future such work shall not be assigned to a truant-officer.

Ordered, That the present truant force be reduced by the dismissal of two officers, and that the Committee on Truant-Officers be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board the names of two truant-officers for dismissal.

The first order passed.

Special assignment.

Mr. Elliott moved that the second order be laid on the table, and specially assigned for consideration to the next meeting of the Board, and that the Committee on Truant-Officers be instructed to report, in print, the number of pupils in each of the truant districts now assigned to the several truant-officers, and the number of pupils in each of the truant districts, as proposed by that committee, provided a reduction in the truant force be made.

Committee on Truant-Officers to report number of pupils in truant districts.

The Chair read the following: —

Opinion of Corporation Counsel on dismissal of truant-officers.

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE,
2 PEMBERTON SQUARE,
BOSTON, May 25, 1885.

PHINEAS BATES, Esq., *Secretary of School Committee*: —

DEAR SIR, — In answer to your inquiry of to-day I have to say that the School Committee of Boston has authority, in my opinion, to discharge a truant-officer whenever, in the judgment of the committee, his services are no longer needed.

Very respectfully,
E. P. NETTLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

Mr. Crowley moved, as a substitute for Mr. Elliott's motion, that the order be referred to the next School Board.

The motion to substitute was lost by a vote of 11 to 12, the Chair voting in the negative.

Mr. Elliott's motion passed.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, reported the death of Florence Bicknell, late fourth assistant in the Bennett District.

Death of Florence Bicknell.

Placed on file.

Mr. Davis, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the graduating exercises of the Allston School be held on Monday, June 29, 1885.

Graduating exercises, Allston School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Annual School Festival, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Committee on the Annual School Festival be authorized to procure banners, with the names of the schools printed thereon, for use at the Annual School Festivals, the expense not to exceed one hundred and thirty dollars.

Banners for use at School Festivals.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom were referred — May 26 — certain orders relative to the establishing of the office, the nomination of a candidate, and the defining of the duties of a proposed Instructor in Hygiene, reported that they did not consider it within their province to report upon the merits of the orders proposed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; Instructor in Hygiene. [See pp. 40, 98, 105.]

The committee, however, assumed that the orders were referred to them for the purpose of considering whether or not there are sufficient funds to the credit of the School Board to carry out the provisions of the orders without exceeding the appropriations; and they respectfully report that, in the opinion of the committee, the amount granted for school purposes will admit of the payment of the salary of an Instructor in Hygiene for the balance of the year, *provided*, the salary fixed be

no greater than that formerly proposed by the School Board for such officer.

Accepted.

Report of Special Committee on appointment of an Instructor in Hygiene. [See pp. 40, 98, 105.]

The Chair stated that the question now before the Board was the passage of the following orders, appended to the report of the Special Committee on an Instructor in Hygiene (see page 98) : —

1. *Ordered*, That the office of Instructor in Hygiene be established.

2. *Ordered*, That a Standing Committee on Hygiene be created, and that the nomination of a candidate for the instructorship be referred to such committee.

3. *Ordered*, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to extend the Rules and Regulations in conformity with these orders, and to define the duties of Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Williamson moved to refer the whole subject to a special committee.

On motion of Mr. Dacey, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The motion to refer the whole subject to a special committee was lost by the following vote : —

Yeas and Nays.

Yeas : — Messrs. Chapin, Cutter, Davis, Flint, Gallagher, Hobbs, Hyde, Plummer, and Williamson. — 9.

Nays : — The Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Crowley, Dacey, Darling, Doherty, Eliot, Elliott, Fallon, Lasker, McCormick, Murphy, Naphen, Porter, and Roeth. — 15.

On motion of Mr. Dacey, the yeas and nays were ordered on the passage of the first order.

The first order passed by the following vote : —

Yeas and Nays.

Yeas : — The Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Crowley, Dacey, Darling, Doherty, Eliot, Elliott, Fallon, Flint, Hobbs, Lasker, McCormick, Murphy, Naphen, Porter, Roeth, and Williamson. — 18.

Nays: — Messrs. Chapin, Cutter, Davis, Gallagher, Hyde, and Plummer. — 6.

On motion of Mr. Eliot, the second order was amended so as to read: —

2. *Ordered*, That a Standing Committee on Hygiene, to consist of three members, be created, and that the nomination of one or more candidates for the instructorship be referred to the Committee on Nominations, in connection with said committee.

The second order passed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Eliot, the third order was amended so as to read: —

3. *Ordered*, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations, jointly with the Committee on Hygiene, be requested to extend the Rules and Regulations in conformity with these orders, and to define the duties of Instructor in Hygiene.

The third order passed as amended.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Eliot, Crowley, and Blake as the Standing Committee on Hygiene.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Nominations, jointly with the Committee on Hygiene, be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board the names of one or more candidates for the position of Instructor in Hygiene.

Nomination of candidates for the position of Instructor in Hygiene.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board the annual salary to be attached to the office of Instructor in Hygiene.

Salary of Instructor in Hygiene.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regula-

Duties of In

structor in Hygiene.

tions, in convention with the Committee on Hygiene, be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Board such regulations as may be necessary to define the duties of the position of Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, submitted the annual report of that committee in print, (Sch. Doc. 7), which was accepted.

Report Committee on Text-books. Special assignment. [See page 102.]

On motion of Mr. Blake, the consideration of the annual report of the Committee on Text-books [Doc. 8, 1885] specially assigned for consideration at this meeting, was specially assigned to half-past eight o'clock of the next meeting of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 23, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Hobbs, Plummer, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the records of the last meeting, page 115, were amended, so that the order offered by the Committee on Annual School Festival, and passed by the Board, shall read as follows: — Minutes amended.

Ordered, That the Committee on Annual School Festival be authorized to procure banners, with the names of the schools printed thereon, for use at the Annual School Festivals, the expense not to exceed one hundred and thirty dollars in excess of the appropriation for Annual Festival. Banners for use at School Festivals. [See page 115.]

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them in print as amended.

The Chair read the following: —

Communication from Committee on Public Buildings; Parker-street Primary School-house.

CITY OF BOSTON,
OFFICE SUPT. PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
CITY HALL, June 23, 1885.

PHINEAS BATES, Esq., *Secretary School Board:* —

DEAR SIR, — I am directed by Committee on Public Buildings to surrender to the School Committee the new Primary School-house on Parker street, the same being completed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Respectfully,

HORACE B. FISHER,
Clerk.

Placed on file.

The Chair read the following: —

Communication from Supt. of Schools; Collection of scholars' work for Japanese government.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF EDUCATION,
WASHINGTON, D.C., June 13, 1885.

Hon. E. P. SEAVER, *Supt. Schools, Boston, Mass.*: —

MY DEAR SIR, — The Japanese Department of Public Instruction are seeking to make a collection of scholars' work in this country for their pedagogical museum. They would very much like from Boston specimens of pupils' work: *first*, in manual training, in wood and iron by the boys, and in sewing by the girls; *second*, they would like specimens of scholars' work in writing, drawing, arithmetic, grammar, or language, geography, chemistry, or physics. They would specially like some of the choice specimens of drawing from the Girls' High School.

Would you be so kind as to undertake to procure these, with or without expense? If the former, please state the amount, and let me hear from you at an early day.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
JOHN EATON,
Commissioner.

BOSTON, June 15, 1885.

Respectfully referred to the School Committee, with a request for instructions.

EDWIN P. SEAVER,
Superintendent.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations, with full powers.

Reports Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: —

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations of teachers.

Charlestown High School. — Katharine Whitney, first assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

East Boston High School. — John O. Norris, master, Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Mt. Vernon District. — Jennie M. Jackson, third assistant, from June 18, 1885. Temporary teacher.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Latin School. — Henry C. Jones, junior master. Confirmation of teachers.

Andrew District. — Emma M. Cleary, fourth assistant.

Dorchester-Everett District. — L. Cora Morse, third assistant.

Harris District. — Mary Waterman, fourth assistant.

Mather District. — Mary E. Upham, third assistant.

Norcross District. — Kate E. Fitzgerald, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools, reported the following unanimous nomination of a candidate for the position of principal of the East Boston High School: Charles J. Lincoln, master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885. Report Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools; nomination for principal of East Boston High School.

Accepted.

The Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the East Boston High School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cutter, Roeth, and Williamson a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 18; necessary for a choice, under the rule, 13. Charles J. Lincoln had 18 votes, and was accordingly declared elected principal of the East Boston High School, with the rank of master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885. Ballot for principal of East Boston High School; Charles J. Lincoln elected.

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations Report Joint Committee on

Nominations and Hygiene; candidates for Instruction in Hygiene. [See page 117.]

and Hygiene, who were instructed —June 9— to nominate one or more candidates for the office of Instructor in Hygiene, reported the following-named candidates for the office of Instructor in Hygiene: John B. Moran, Charles Harrington.

Accepted.

The election of Instructor in Hygiene was laid on the table.

Election of teacher; Horace Mann School.

Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on Horace Mann School, reported the nomination on probation of Eleanor Le F. Morrison as assistant in the Horace Mann School, to date from June 22, 1885.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, it was

Payment of salary of Florence Bicknell.

Ordered, That the salary of Florence Bicknell, deceased, late fourth assistant in the Bennett District, be paid to her brother, Frank M. Bicknell.

Leaves of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following-named teachers were granted leaves of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Harlan P. Gage.

Dearborn District. — Harlan P. Gage, master, until October 1, 1885.

Louise P. Arnold.

Hillside District. — Louise P. Arnold, second assistant, from Sept. 1, 1885, until Feb. 1, 1886, without pay.

Elizabeth A. Withey.

Winthrop District. — Elizabeth A. Withey, third assistant, until Sept. 1, 1885; Helen L. Hilton, substitute.

Mr. Davis offered the following: —

Manual on Bookkeeping.

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to print a Manual on Bookkeeping, prepared by Mr. Manson Seavy, a master in the English High

School; and that the Manual be authorized for use in that school, and in such other schools as may desire it in the study of bookkeeping.

Mr. Davis moved that the rules be suspended so that the order might be acted upon at that time.

Lost.

The order was referred to the Committee on Text-books.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, it was

Ordered, That application for rooms for vacation schools shall be made to the Chairman of the Committee in the Division in which the schools are located.

Applications for use of rooms for vacation schools.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order that John R. Morse, elected sub-master of the Sherwin School, be placed upon the sixth year of service in his grade, reported that the order ought not to pass.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of John R. Morse. [See page 110.]

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, to whom was referred — May 26 — an order that Frank A. Morse, elected master of the Sherwin School, be placed upon the third year of service in his grade, reported that the order ought not to pass.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Frank A. Morse. [See page 101.]

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, who were instructed — June 9 — to report a salary for the Instructor in Hygiene, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Instructor in Hygiene. [See page 117.]

Ordered, That the salary of the Instructor in Hygiene be fixed at the rate of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum.

Accepted, and the order laid on the table.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — April 14 — an order proposing an amendment to the district lines of the Harvard and

Report of Committee on School-houses; boundary-lines of Harvard and

Warren School districts. [See page 78.]

Warren School districts, reported that the following orders ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the boundary-lines of the Harvard District be amended by striking out the words "to Pleasant street; thence by both sides of Pleasant to High street," and inserting in place thereof the words, "to Cordis street; thence by centre of Cordis to High street."

Ordered, That the boundary-lines of the Warren District be changed to conform to the above order.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses; repairs of Central School-house. [See page 89.]

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred — April 28 — an order that the City Council be requested to make certain alterations and repairs in the Central School-house, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause repairs to be made in the Central School-house, increasing the seating capacity of the master's room, providing a new coat-room, improved ventilation, and new floors in four rooms.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on School-houses; boundary-lines of school districts in Fifth and Seventh Divisions. [See page 110.]

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, who were instructed — June 9 — to report necessary changes in the boundary-lines of the school districts of the Fifth and Seventh Divisions, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the boundary-lines of school districts be changed as follows : —

Hyde District. — Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centre of Ruggles to Parker street; thence by rear of north side of Parker street to Camden street; thence by the centres of Camden street and Columbus avenue to centre line of Westfield street extended; thence by

the centre of Westfield and Lenox to Sawyer street; thence by rear of north-easterly sides of Sawyer, Woodbury, and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to the former boundary-line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Sherwin District. — Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centre of Ruggles to Parker street; thence by rear of north side of Parker to Camden street; thence by the centres of Camden street and Columbus avenue to the centre line of Westfield street extended; thence by the centres of Westfield and Tremont streets to Kendall street; thence by rear of north-easterly side of Kendall street to Shawmut avenue; thence by the centres of Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to the former boundary-line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by the rear of the north-easterly side of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Everett District. — Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by the rear of the north side of Canton street to Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by said railroad to West Chester Park; thence by the rear of the south side of West Chester Park to the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by said railroad to Parker street; thence by rear of north side of Parker street to Camden street; thence by the centres of Camden street and Columbus avenue to centre line of Westfield street extended; thence by the centres of Westfield and Lenox streets to Sawyer street; thence by the rear of the north-easterly sides of Sawyer, Woodbury, and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to the former boundary-line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by said boundary-line to the South Bay; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Dwight District. — Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by the centre of Canton street to the Boston & Providence Railroad; thence by said railroad to West Chester Park; thence by the rear of the south side of West Chester Park to the Boston & Albany Railroad; thence by said railroad to Parker street; thence by the rear of the north side of Parker to Camden street; thence by the centres of Camden street and

Columbus avenue to the centre line of Westfield street extended; thence by the centres of Westfield and Tremont streets to Kendall street; thence by the rear of the north-easterly side of Kendall street to Shawmut avenue; thence by the centres of Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to the former boundary-line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by said boundary-line to the South Bay; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Rice District. — Amended so as to read: Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by the centre of Canton street to the Boston & Providence Railroad, etc.

Franklin District. — Amended so as to read: Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by rear of north side of Canton street to the Boston & Providence Railroad; etc.

Dearborn District. — Amended so as to read: Beginning at the junction of Dudley street and Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Harrison avenue to the former boundary line between Boston and Roxbury, etc.

Dudley District. — Amended by striking out all after the words "Harrison avenue" in the eleventh line and inserting in place thereof, the following: "Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning."

Dillaway District. — Amended by striking out all after the words "Harrison avenue" in the eleventh line, and inserting in place thereof the following: "Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning."

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Closing of Parker-street Primary School.

Ordered, That the three Primary schools on Parker street, in the Lowell District, be dismissed on Wednesday, June 24, at 4 o'clock P.M., and that the pupils of these schools reassemble in the new building, Monday, Sept. 7, 1885.

Report of Committee on Manual Training School;

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Manual Training School, to whom was referred — May 12 — an order that there be sessions of the Manual Training School

during vacation, reported that it is impossible to have such sessions, because of the small appropriation this year. summer sessions. [See page 98.]

Accepted.

Mr. Murphy offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Primary Schools close this year at 4 o'clock P.M., Monday, June 29. Closing of Primary Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, it was

Ordered, That Mrs. H. A. Joslin be allowed the use of the Genesee-street school-house for the purposes of a vacation school, the same to be without expense to the city. Genesee-street school; use of for a vacation school.

Mr. Elliot, for the Committee on Truant-officers, who were instructed — June 9 — to report, in print, the number of pupils in each of the truant districts now assigned to the several truant-officers, and the number of pupils in each of the truant districts, as proposed by that committee, provided a reduction in the truant force be made, submitted the report of that committee. (School Doc. 9, 1885.) Report of Committee on Truant-officers; report of number of pupils in truant districts. [See page 114.]

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, the second order appended to the report of the Committee on Truant-officers was taken from the table. [See page 114.]

Ordered, That the present truant force be reduced by the dismissal of two officers, and that the Committee on Truant-officers be instructed to report, at the next meeting of the Board, the names of two truant-officers for dismissal.

Mr. Lasker in the chair.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. Blake, the previous question was ordered.

The order passed by a vote of 11 to 10.

The President in the chair.

Annual Report of Committee on Text-books. [See pp. 102, 118.]

On motion of Mr. Blake the special assignment, being the annual report of the Committee on Text-books, (School Doc. 8, 1885) was taken up.

The report was accepted.

The orders appended to the report were considered: —

1. *Ordered*, That Franklin Algebra be authorized for use as a text-book in the High Schools, in place of Bradbury's Eaton's Algebra; *provided* that the terms for the introduction of the new book be made satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the vote whereby the order was declared lost was reconsidered.

Mr. Flint moved to amend the order by providing that the book be introduced only as new classes are formed.

Lost.

The order was lost.

2. *Ordered*, That Church's Stories of the Old World be authorized for use as a text-book in the Latin Schools, — no more copies of Church's Stories from Homer to be purchased, but as books are worn out their place to be supplied with Church's Stories of the Old World.

Passed.

3. *Ordered*, That Harkness's Latin Reader be authorized for use as a text-book in the Latin Schools.

Passed.

4. *Ordered*, That Wentworth's Algebra be authorized for use as a text-book in the Latin Schools in place of Bradbury's Eaton's Algebra; *provided* that the terms for the introduction of the book be made satisfactory to the Committee on Supplies.

Lost.

5. *Ordered*, That White's Oral Lessons in Number be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Primary Schools, — one copy for each Primary-school teacher's desk.

Passed.

6. *Ordered*, That Young Folks' Cyclopædia of Common Things be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Grammar Schools.

Passed.

7. *Ordered*, That Tilton's Plain Needle-work be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Grammar Schools, — one copy for each room where sewing is taught.

Passed.

8. *Ordered*, That the lists of books as given in the report of the Committee on Text-books (School Doc. 8, 1885) be authorized for use for supplementary reading in the several grades of schools, as specified; the number of sets to be used, the number of copies in each set, and the distribution and assignment of the books to be in accordance with the plans presented in said Document 8, 1885.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

Text-book on Hygiene.

Ordered, That the Committee on Text-books consider, and report a suitable text-book or series of text-books on Hygiene, in order that instruction may be given during the coming school year in accordance with the law recently passed by the Legislature.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendments to Rules and Regulations to conform to the City

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, who were instructed — June 9 — to report at the next meeting of the Board the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations, to conform to the provisions of the Act passed by the Legislature, amending the

Charter as amended. [See page 109.]

city charter, reported that the opinion of the Corporation Counsel having been given, that under the provisions of the Act referred to, His Honor the Mayor continues in his present position as President of the School Committee until the close of this municipal year, no action upon the order referred is necessary at this time.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendments to Rules and Regulations concerning licensed minors. [See page 112.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, who were instructed — June 9 — to report the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations to conform to the action of the Board in abolishing the Schools for Licensed Minors, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

SECTION 2. Strike out the words "Schools for Licensed Minors," in the last line.

SECTION 52. Strike out the section.

SECTION 147. Strike out the words "and Licensed Minors."

CHAPTER XXI. Strike out the chapter.

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; reëxamination of diploma examination papers; amendment to Regulations. [See page 113.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order that Section 141 of the Regulations be amended by striking out the paragraph relating to the reëxamination of diploma examination-papers, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Section 141 of the Regulations be amended by striking out the second paragraph of the section beginning with the words, "The papers written by pupils."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; award of diplomas in

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 9 — an order that Section 254 of the Regulations be amended by striking out all after the

words "entitled to a diploma," in the third line, and inserting in place thereof the following words: "but in the cases of those pupils who take the advanced course, the award of the full diploma shall be deferred until the fourth year's course is completed," reported that the order ought not to pass.

High Schools, amendment to Regulations proposed. [See page 113.]

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows: —

Amendment to Rules; Committee on Hygiene.

SECTION 2. Add the following words to the section: "on Hygiene."

Insert the following section: —

SECTION 52. The Committee on Hygiene shall have the general supervision and control of the instruction in Hygiene in all the schools. They shall nominate to the Board, at the second meeting in March, or when a vacancy occurs, a suitable person for the position of Instructor in Hygiene. They shall make a written report to the Board in September.

SECTION 82. Insert after the words "Director of Drawing" in the seventh line, the words "and the Instructor in Hygiene."

The order was passed to its second reading.

Mr. Flint, for the Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene, who were instructed — June 9 — to report at the next meeting of the Board the necessary regulations for the Instructor in Hygiene, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Majority report of Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene; duties of Instructor in Hygiene. [See page 117.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by inserting the following: —

CHAPTER —.

Regulations of Instructor in Hygiene.

SECTION —. The Instructor in Hygiene shall be a regularly educated physician, and shall perform the duties of his office under the direction of the Committee on Hygiene.

SECT. —. His duties shall be to instruct the teachers, and, as far as possible, the pupils in the schools, in the proper methods of teaching and studying elementary anatomy, physiology, and hygiene. He shall give special attention, by personal inspection, to the sanitary condition of the schools, and to the health of in-

structors and pupils, as far as may be dependent upon such sanitary condition.

SECT. —. In all cases of danger from sanitary defects of school buildings, due to their construction, location, or surroundings, he shall report the same to the appropriate division committee, or in cases of emergency, to the Committee on School-houses, or to the City Board of Health.

SECT. —. At the request of the principal of a district, or the chairman of any division committee, he shall investigate supposed cases of contagious diseases, in order that such diseases may not be introduced into the schools, or, if among the pupils, that they may be removed, in accordance with the rules and regulations providing therefor.

SECT. —. Under the direction of the Committee on Hygiene, he shall prepare a brief code of the common laws of health, relating to exercise, posture, ventilation, light, heat, voice, etc., to be enforced in the school-room, not conflicting with prescribed studies.

SECT. —. At the request of a division committee, he shall examine and report upon applications of teachers for leave of absence on account of ill-health.

SECT. —. He shall attend the meetings of the School Committee and of the Board of Supervisors, whenever subjects relating to hygiene are under consideration.

SECT. —. He shall attend meetings of the Committee on School-houses, or of any division committee, at the request of either, for purpose of consultation.

SECT. —. He shall report in print, annually, in May, to the School Board, all matters connected with the hygienic management and conditions of the schools, together with the progress made in the studies under his special care.

SECT. —. He shall also render such other services as the School Committee, or the Committee on Hygiene, may from time to time direct.

Minority report of Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene.

Mr. Gallagher presented the following minority report: —

The undersigned, a minority of the Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene, respectfully dissents from the report of a majority of the committee, and reports that, in view of the large expenditures for school purposes, increased last year by the expenditures for free text-books, with the increased expenditures to come each year by the natural increase in pupils, and the prospect of a necessary reduction in appropriations for general school purposes, to come within the limit of the rate of taxation required by the acts of the present Legislature, that no legislation whatever should be had at the present time looking to fixing the duties of an instructor in Hygiene.

The minority further dissents from the majority report, in that it does not specify sufficiently what the duties of the instructor are to be. To be sure, in a general way it provides that he shall deliver lectures to the pupils on the subjects of physiology, hygiene, etc., as far as possible; but the larger portion of the duties assigned to him are in relation to looking after and reporting the sanitary condition of school-houses, the health of children and teachers, and other matters (without the power of expressing his findings), all of which are now properly delegated to the Board of Health and various officers of the School Board, and which an instructor in Hygiene could not, either by force of his office, or practically by attention to his duties, make any different, in fact, from what they are at present, even if any reason were shown for the creation of the office or defining its duties at the present time. And as the report of the majority contemplates more largely the creation of a health officer under no especial responsibility to any superior, except to the Committee on Hygiene, with no provision for the amount of time to be devoted to the city or the schools, rather than that of an instructor in some branch of education taught in the schools (for, in all fairness, I submit that the general clause about lectures on the subject is merely secondary to the general duties imposed on this office), the minority respectfully represents that it is not within the province of the School Board to create such an office, or to define such duties as are laid out in the majority report. Further, even if it were within the province of the School Board to define such duties, the duties, as laid out in the majority report, cannot, of necessity, be performed by one or a dozen men with any practical benefit to the object to be derived, and the office must fail of success for the object attempted to be obtained. For these reasons, hastily prepared, without opportunity to examine the report of the majority since it was read to the committees in convention, the minority respectfully report inexpedient to legislate on the matter referred to the Committees on Hygiene and Rules and Regulations.

CHARLES T. GALLAGHER.

The reports were laid on the table.

Election of Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Crowley moved that the Rules be suspended, in order that the reports might be acted upon at that time.

Lost by a vote of 12 to 9.

Mr. Crowley moved to take from the table the subject of the election of an Instructor in Hygiene.

Passed by a vote of 11 to 9.

Mr. Crowley moved to proceed to ballot for an Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Gallagher rose to a point of order, that as no provision had yet been made in the Rules and Regulations concerning an Instructor in Hygiene, the Board could not proceed to ballot.

The Chair ruled that as the Board, at a former meeting, had established the office of Instructor in Hygiene, it was right and proper that the Board should at that time, or at any time, fill the office.

Mr. Davis appealed from the decision of the chair.

On motion of Mr. Dacey, the appeal was laid upon the table.

Mr. Crowley moved that the Board proceed to ballot for Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Gallagher rose to a point of order, that, as the appeal from the decision of the Chair had not been decided upon the question of the right of the Board to proceed to ballot, a ballot could not be taken until such appeal had been decided.

The Chair ruled that the point was well taken.

Mr. McCormick moved that the vote whereby the appeal was laid upon the table be reconsidered.

Lost.

Mr. Murphy moved that the Board proceed to ballot for an Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Gallagher rose to a point of order, that as the appeal from the decision of the Chair had not been decided, a ballot could not be taken.

The Chair ruled that it was in order for the Board to proceed to ballot.

The Board, by a vote of 11 to 8, voted to proceed to ballot for an Instructor in Hygiene. Ballot for Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Gallagher protested against the Board proceeding to ballot.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Murphy, Cutter, and Dacey a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 17; necessary for a choice, 13. There was 1 blank, 1 ballot with two names; Charles Harrington had 4 votes, John B. Moran had 12 votes, and there was no choice. First ballot.

The Board proceeded to a second ballot.

The Chair appointed the same committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 18; necessary for a choice, 13. Charles Harrington had 6 votes, and John B. Moran had 12 votes, and there was no choice. Second ballot.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was —

Ordered, That the Grammar Schools shall close at 4 o'clock P.M., on the day before their respective exhibitions. Closing of Grammar Schools.

Mr. Flint moved that the Board adjourn to Tuesday next, at half-past seven o'clock.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 30, 1885.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members, except Messrs. Darling, Flint, McCormick, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the records of the last meeting were amended by substituting the word "enforcing" for the word "expressing," in the ninth line on page 133.

Minutes amended.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them in print, as amended.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That Section 141 of the Regulations be amended by striking out the second paragraph of the section beginning with the words, "The papers written by the pupils."

Reëxamination of diploma examination papers. Regulations amended. [See page 130.]

Passed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows, —

Schools for licensed minors; Rules and Regulations amended. [See pp. 112, 130.]

SECTION 2. Strike out the words "Schools for Licensed Minors," in the last line.

SECTION 52. Strike out the section.

SECTION 147. Strike out the words "and Licensed Minors."

CHAPTER 21. Strike out the chapter.

Passed.

The following order was read a second time: —

Committee on Hygiene; rules amended. [See page 131.]

Ordered, That the Rules be amended as follows, —

SECTION 2. Add the following words to the section, "on Hygiene."

Insert the following section: —

SECTION 52. The Committee on Hygiene shall have the general supervision and control of the instruction in Hygiene in all the schools. They shall nominate to the Board, at the second meeting in March, or when a vacancy occurs, a suitable person for the position of Instructor in Hygiene. They shall make a written report to the Board in September.

SECTION 82. Insert after the words "Director of Drawing," in the seventh line, the words, "and the Instructor in Hygiene."

Passed.

The Chair read the following: —

Resignation on committee.

ROOMS OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE,
BOSTON, June 23, 1885.

To the President of the School Committee: —

I respectfully resign membership of the Committee on Hygiene.

SAMUEL ELIOT.

Accepted.

Appointment on committee.

The Chair appointed Russell D. Elliott to serve on the Committee on Hygiene in place of Mr. Eliot, resigned.

Report of Committee on Text-books; Manual on Book-keeping. [See page 122.]

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Text-books, to whom was referred — June 23 — an order concerning the printing of a manual on Book-keeping, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to print a Manual on Book-keeping, prepared by Mr. Manson Seavy, a master of the English High School; and that the Manual be authorized for use in that school, and in such other schools as may desire it in the study of book-keeping.

Accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Supplies, with full powers.

Mr. Roeth, for the Committee on Truant-officers, who were instructed — June 23 — to report the names of two truant-officers for dismissal, reported that they have not been able, in the limited time allowed, to decide upon the question, and they recommend the passage of the following order: —

Report of Committee on Truant-officers; reduction in truant force. [See pages 102, 103, 113, 114, 127.]

Ordered, That the dismissal of two of the present truant-officers, in order to reduce the force, be referred to the Committee on Truant-officers, with full powers.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the whole matter of reducing the truant force was referred to the next School Board.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the Committee on the Normal School, it was

Ordered, That two hundred additional copies of the Catalogue of the Normal School be printed.

Additional copies of catalogue of Normal School.

Mr. Davis offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the vaults of the outbuildings of the school-houses, and the cesspools, to be thoroughly cleansed during the summer vacation.

Vaults of the outbuildings of school-houses to be cleansed.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence for ten days be granted to Charles F. King, sub-master in the Lewis District.

Leave of absence to Charles F. King.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was

Ordered, That the term of service of the Instructor in Hygiene, when elected, shall begin Sept. 1, 1885.

Term of service of Instructor in Hygiene.

Mr. Dacey offered the following: —

Bridge between Hancock and Cushman School-houses; protection of school-houses against danger from fire.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses be instructed to consider the expediency of erecting a bridge from the Hancock school-house to the Cushman school-house.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the order was amended by adding the following words: "and that the committee consider the expediency of protecting all the school-houses against danger from fire."

The order passed, as amended.

Adjournment.

Mr. Chapin moved to adjourn.

Lost, by a vote of 9 to 10, the Chair voting in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Davis, it was

Change of name of Central School.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Eighth Division be instructed to consider the expediency of changing the name of the Central School.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the following order concerning the salary of the Instructor in Hygiene was taken from the table: —

Salary of Instructor in Hygiene. [See pp. 117, 123.]

Ordered, That the salary of the Instructor in Hygiene be fixed at the rate of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum.

Passed.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the Board adjourn.

Passed, by a vote of 11 to 8.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 8, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Davis, Eliot, Gallagher, McCormick, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

English High School.— Charles J. Lincoln, master, Sept. 7, 1885. Resignations of teachers.

Girls' High School. — Homer B. Sprague, headmaster, Sept. 1, 1885.

Gaston District. — Mary S. Cate, second assistant, Sept. 9, 1885.

Harvard District. — Abby B. Tufts, first assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Hillside District. — Mary Bradley, second assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Gaston District. — Annie E. Hills, second assistant, from Sept. 9, 1885. Teacher elected on probation.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Andrew District. — Carrie E. Norris, Annie L. Clapp, Elizabeth A. Souther, third assistants.

Gaston District. — Mary S. Cate, second assistant; A. Delancey Sutherland, third assistant; Laura L. Newhall, fourth assistant.

Lawrence District. — Egbert M. Chesley, sub-master.

Accepted.

SPECIAL SUBSTITUTES.

Special substitutes.

Martha E. Scott, Mary C. Swift, Alice Patten, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

Report Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools; principal of Girls' High School.

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools, reported the following unanimous nomination of a candidate for the position of principal of the Girls' High School: —

John Tetlow, head-master, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Girls' High School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Flint, Cutter, and Dacey, a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

Ballot for principal of Girls' High School.

The committee having attended to that duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 18; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. John Tetlow had 18 votes, and was accordingly declared elected principal of the Girls' High School with the rank of head-master, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Head master of Girls' High School to have

Ordered, That the head-master of the Girls' High School have charge of the Girls' Latin School, and that

his title be Head-master of the Girls' High and Latin Schools.

charge of Girl's Latin School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following transfers of teachers: —

Transfers of teachers.

Boys' Latin School. — William Gallagher, master, to the same position in the Girls' Latin School, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

East Boston High School. — Sarah Shaw, assistant, to the same position in the Charlestown High School, the transfer to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

The Chair read the following: —

BOSTON, Sept. 8, 1885.

PETITION OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Petition Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for permission to address the public schools.

To the School Committee of Boston: —

WHEREAS, during the past two years, by permission of the school authorities of *Cincinnati*, *Chicago*, and *St. Louis*, over a hundred thousand pupils in the higher public schools of those cities have been addressed on the *importance* and *advantages* of *treating dumb animals kindly;*

AND WHEREAS by similar permission of school authorities many thousands of pupils in the higher public schools of *New Orleans*, *Jacksonville*, *Fla.*, *Washington*, *D.C.*, *Philadelphia*, *Toledo*, *Rochester*, and other cities, have been similarily addressed: *Now*, that the city of Boston may not be behind other cities in this good work, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals most respectfully petitions the School Committee of Boston, that the president of said society, under direction of your committee, be permitted, during the present school year, to address the public schools of Boston, *it being understood that said address shall be first submitted to and approved* by such committee as you may appoint.

Respectfully submitted, by order of directors of said society.

GEO. T. ANGELL, *President.*
JOSEPH L. STEVENS, *Secretary.*

Mr. Crowley offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the request of the petition of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals be granted, and that the Committee on Examinations be authorized to make suitable arrangements for the same.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Darling, for the Committee on the Third Division, it was

Salary of Cicely M. Kennemon.

Ordered, That the salary due Cicely M. Kennemon, deceased, late third assistant in the Hancock School, be paid to her sister, Matilda J. Kennemon.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Leave of absence to Lydia G. Wentworth.

Anna F. Bayley, substitute.

Ordered, That extended leave of absence until Nov. 1, 1885, be granted to Lydia G. Wentworth, third assistant in the Dillaway District, and that Anna F. Bayley be approved as her substitute.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following: —

Changes in boundary lines of school districts.

Ordered, That the boundary lines of school districts in the Seventh Division be amended as follows: —

Lowell District. — Amended so as to read, "Beginning at the junction of Tremont and Heath streets; thence by both sides of Heath and New Heath streets to Pynchon street; thence by centres of New Heath and Centre streets to Marcella street," etc.

Lewis District. — Amended so as to read, "Beginning at the junction of Warren street and Walnut avenue; thence by the centres of Walnut avenue, Circuit, Regent, and Dale streets, to Washington street," etc.

Dearborn District. — Amended in the seventh and following lines, so as to read, "thence along the north-

easterly side of Winthrop to Grenville street; thence by centres of Grenville and Dudley streets to the point of beginning."

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Dudley and Dillaway Districts be changed to conform to the above.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Crowley offered the following: —

Fire-escapes on school-houses.

Ordered, That the Inspector of Buildings be requested to remove the fire-escapes recently placed on the Tyler-street and Genesee-street Primary school-houses, and other similar fire-escapes placed on school buildings, for the reason that they are not adapted to the object; and that a different kind of fire-escape, which can be used by the children, be substituted therefor, and affixed on such parts of the buildings, respectively, as will enable the pupils to escape from the premises.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, the order was amended by adding the following words: "And that the Committee on School-houses be instructed to confer with the Committee on Public Buildings in regard to fire-escapes on the school buildings of the city of Boston."

The order as amended was referred to the Committee on School-houses.

On motion of Mr. Blake, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Amendments to Rules and Regulations.

Consolidation of Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider and report what, if any, changes are needed in the Rules and Regulations in consequence of the union of the Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools under one head-master.

Ballot for Instructor in Hygiene.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the Board proceeded to ballot for an Instructor in Hygiene.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Crowley, Plummer, and

Porter a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes for said officer.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 15; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. There were three blanks. Charles Harrington had 1 vote; Samuel A. Green had 1 vote; and John B. Moran had 13 votes, and was accordingly declared elected Instructor in Hygiene.

John B. Moran elected Instructor in Hygiene.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, it was

Certificate to Instructor in Hygiene.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be instructed to issue the necessary certificate to the Instructor in Hygiene.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was

Term of service of Instructor in Hygiene.

Ordered, That the term of service of the Instructor in Hygiene shall begin Sept. 14, 1885.

Reports of Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations, and Hygiene; duties of Instructor in Hygiene. [See pp. 117, 131, 132, 133]

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the reports of the Joint Committee on Rules and Regulations and Hygiene (see pages 117, 131, 132, 133) were taken from the table.

The majority report was accepted, and the order proposing amendments to the Rules and Regulations concerning the duties of the Instructor in Hygiene, passed to its second reading.

Regulations amended.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the order took its second reading and was passed.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 22, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except His Honor the Mayor, and Messrs. Darling, Elliott, Fallon, Flint, Lasker, McCormick, Naphen, Plummer, Roeth, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair read the following: —

BOSTON, Sept. 22, 1885.

To the Honorable the School Committee of the City of Boston: —

I respectfully pray that a hearing be granted me before the proper committee in relation to the advisability of supplying the public-school buildings of the City of Boston with the Harden "Star" Hand Grenades, with a view to having at hand the means of preventing the spread of fire. I pray, also, for leave to give tests, before any proper committee of your body, of the efficiency of the grenades, which have already been introduced into the public schools of Chicago, and many towns and cities throughout the country.

HARDEN STAR HAND GRENADE CO.,
by R. H. ROSE, *General Agent.*

Referred to Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Brighton High School. — Lucy G. Peabody, assistant, Sept. 30, 1885. Resignations of teachers.

Girls' High School. — Elizabeth C. Coburn, assistant, Sept. 19, 1885.

Allston District. — Carrie G. McDonald, third assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Catharine S. Summers, fourth assistant, Sept. 30, 1885.

Dudley District. — Charlotte Kendrick, third assistant, Oct. 5, 1885.

Dwight District. — Sarah E. Crocker, fourth assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Eliot District. — Sarah Ripley, fourth assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Everett District. — Fannie B. Bowers, fourth assistant, Sept. 25, 1885.

Franklin District. — Jennie E. Metcalf, third assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Harvard District. — Mary A. Lovering, third assistant, Sept. 7, 1885.

Mather District. — Grace A. Vose, fourth assistant, Sept. 30, 1885.

Prescott District. — Zetta M. Mallard, fourth assistant, Sept. 21, 1885.

Rice District. — Nettie M. Getchell, third assistant; Lena M. Wills, fourth assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Lizzie A. Sanborn, third assistant, Sept. 12, 1885.

Warren District. — Agnes McGowan, fourth assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Lucy Merrill and Elizabeth A. Withey, third assistants, Sept. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Allston District. — Gertrude R. Clark, from Sept. 17, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Alice M. Burton, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Hancock District. — Julia E. Collins, from Sept. 7 to Sept. 22, 1885, both inclusive.

Tileston District. — Katie E. Shea, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Latin School. — Thomas A. Mullen, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1885. Temporary teachers.

English High School. — George W. Evans, junior-master, from Sept. 9, 1885; William B. Snow, junior-master, from Sept. 11, 1885; James E. Thomas, junior-master, from Sept. 15, 1885.

Dorchester High School. — Mary A. Tenney, assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Roxbury High School. — Bertha Hazard, assistant, from Sept. 14, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Maud G. Leadbetter, fourth assistant, from Sept. 7 to 30, 1885, both inclusive.

Eliot District. — Katharine E. Gillespie, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Minot District. — Annie H. Gardner, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Jennie M. Jackson, third assistant, from Sept. 18, 1885; Mabel Drake, fourth assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Girls' Latin School. — Alice H. Luce, assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885. Teachers elected on probation.

Brighton High School. — Alice M. Hawes, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Charlestown High School. — Mary C. C. Goddard, assistant, sixth year, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Dorchester High School. — Elizabeth M. Ritter, assistant, from Sept. 9, 1885.

East Boston High School. — Sarah L. Dyer, assistant, from Sept. 15, 1885.

English High School. — Melvin J. Hill, junior-master, second year, from Sept. 7, 1885; Walter H. Russell, junior-master, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Girls' High School. — Parnell S. Murray and Mary B. King, assistants, from Sept. 21 and 24, 1885, respectively.

Roxbury High School. — Clara Bancroft, assistant, second year, from Sept. 7, 1885.

West Roxbury High School. — Alma S. Brigham, assistant, from Sept. 28, 1885.

Allston District. — Ella L. Bird, third assistant; Ella L. Chittenden, fourth assistant; from Sept. 7, 1885.

Bennett District. — Belle K. Sanger, fourth assistant, from Sept. 16, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Maud G. Leadbetter, fourth assistant, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Eliot District. — Margaret E. Dacey, third assistant, from October 1, 1885.

Everett District. — Cora F. Plummer, fourth assistant, sixth year, from Sept. 28, 1885.

Harvard District. — Mary A. Lovering, first assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885; Eudora F. Sumner, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Hyde District. — Isabel G. Winslow, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Mather District. — Ada K. Richards, third assistant,

from Sept. 8, 1885; Ina F. Cook, fourth assistant, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Prescott District. — Elizabeth J. Doherty, fourth assistant, from Sept. 21, 1885.

Stoughton District. — Minnie E. Gaskins, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Warren District. — Agnes G. Harrington, fourth assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Caroline Merrill and Helen L. Hilton, third assistants, from Sept. 7, 1885.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, it was

Nomination of Clara Bancroft recommitted.

Ordered, That so much of the report of the Committee on Nominations as relates to Clara Bancroft, of the Roxbury High School, be recommitted to the Committee on Nominations in conjunction with the Committee on High Schools.

The report, as amended, was accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Girls' High School. — V. Colonna Murray and Sarah J. C. Needham, assistants.

Comins District. — Jane F. Gilligan, third assistant; Lena L. Carpenter, fourth assistant.

Dearborn District. — Mary J. Mohan, third assistant.

Dillaway District. — Anna W. Balch, second assistant, Primary Department.

Everett District. — Miriam Sterne, fourth assistant.

Franklin District. — Emma G. Brown, third assistant.

Lowell District. — Elsa L. Hobart, fourth assistant.

Mt. Vernon District. — J. Lillian Colson, fourth assistant.

Phillips District. — Nellie M. Whitney, first assistant.

Rice District. — Nettie M. Getchell, third assistant.

Warren District. — Carrie F. Gammell, and Mary F. Kittredge, fourth assistants.

Accepted.

TRANSFERS OF TEACHERS.

Transfers of teachers.

Allston District. — Jessie W. Kelly, fourth assistant, to the position of third assistant in the same district; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Eliot District. — Nellie G. Murphy, third assistant, to the position of fourth assistant, on probation, in the same district; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Everett District. — Jane Reid, third assistant, to the same position in the Hyde District; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Hancock District. — Adeline S. Bodge, fourth assistant, to the position of third assistant in the same district; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Annie M. Olsson, third assistant, to the same position in the Hyde District; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Shurtleff District. — Eliza F. Blacker, third assistant, to the same position in the Allston District; the transfer to date from October 1, 1885.

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated for election the following-named principals of the Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools, for the term of 1885–86; the term of service of the principals herein nominated to date from September 28, 1885: —

Evening High School. — Edward C. Carrigan, head-master.

Anderson-street School. — John R. Morse.

Bigelow School. — George Oak.
Comins School. — Rodney F. Johonnot.
Dearborn School. — William H. Brown.
Eliot School. — Harvey L. Boutwell.
Franklin School. — Henry L. Sawyer.
Lincoln School. — Alonzo G. Ham.
Lyman School. — Henry B. Hall.
Quincy School. — Seth P. Smith.
Warren School. — George G. Pratt.
Warrenton-street School. — Eber R. Butler.
Wells School. — Charles E. Hussey.

Accepted.

Ballot for principals of Evening Schools.

The Board proceeded to ballot for principals of the Evening Schools.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Crowley, Dacey, and Davis a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 14; necessary for a choice, under the rule, 13. For principal of the Evening High School, William H. Moriarty had 1 vote; Charles E. Stetson had 3 votes; Edward C. Carrigan had 4 votes. There were 6 blanks, and there was no choice.

Election of principals of Evening Schools.

The several principals of Evening Elementary Schools, as nominated by the committee, had each 14 votes, and were accordingly declared elected as principals of the designated Evening Elementary Schools.

Ballot for principal of Evening High School.

The Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Evening High School.

The Chair appointed the same committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 9; necessary for a choice, under the rule, 13. There were 4 blanks. Wil-

liam H. Moriarty had 1 vote; Charles E. Stetson had 2 votes; Edward C. Carrigan had 7 votes, and there was no choice.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools be authorized to appoint a temporary head-master of the Evening High School.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Mary F. Child.

Allston District. — Mary F. Child, third assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886; Annie E. Bancroft, substitute.

Penelope G. Hayes.

Comins District. — Penelope G. Hayes, third assistant, until Nov. 1, 1885; Eleanor F. Lang, substitute.

Annie W. Ford.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Annie W. Ford, fourth assistant, until Dec. 1, 1885; Elizabeth R. Wallis, substitute.

Cally E. Gary.

Harvard District. — Cally E. Gary, third assistant, until Dec. 14, 1885; Annie F. McMahon, substitute.

Ida H. Davis.

Quincy District. — Ida H. Davis, third assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886; Josephine Garland, substitute.

Mary E. Sawyer.

Mary E. Sawyer, fourth assistant, until Nov. 1, 1885; Kate A. Kiggen, substitute.

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Hygiene, offered the following: —

Cards containing rules of health for use in class-rooms.

Ordered, That 1,500 cards, containing rules of health prepared by the Instructor in Hygiene, be printed for use in the class-rooms of the school-houses in this city.

Referred to Committee on Supplies, with full powers.

Mr. Dacey, for the Committee on the Third Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Committee on the Third Division be authorized to appoint, in the Eliot and Hancock Districts, two teachers in excess of the number allowed by the Regulations, in order to properly instruct a large class of non-English-speaking pupils.

Extra teachers allowed in Eliot and Hancock Districts.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing and Music be granted further time in which to present their annual report.

Committee on Drawing and Music granted further time to report.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, reported the nominations of the following-named instructors of Evening Drawing Schools for the term 1885–86: —

Election of Instructors of Evening Drawing Schools.

Masters. — George H. Bartlett, George Jepson.

Head Assistants. — Robert W. Vonnoh, Charles L. Adams, George H. Young.

Assistants. — Annie E. Blake, A. Hun Berry, Emma W. Bragdon, Wallace Bryant, Henry K. Burrison, Anson K. Cross, John L. Frisbee, Walter L. Dean, Emma W. Kaan, Thomas E. Sweeney, Frank S. Mason.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish accommodations for a Primary class as near as possible to the Grammar school-house of the Stoughton District.

Additional Primary-School accommodations in the Stoughton District.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Porter, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to fit up

Additional Primary-School

accommodations in the old Dorchester High school-house.

an additional room for the use of Primary-school pupils, in the old Dorchester High school-house.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Blake offered the following: —

Geikie's Elementary Lessons in Physical Geography for use in Normal School.

Ordered, That Geikie's Elementary Lessons in Physical Geography be authorized for use in the Normal School.

Referred to the Committee on Text-Books.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, offered the following: —

Removal of trees from yard of Dearborn school-house.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to remove two or three trees from the south side of the Dearborn school-house yard.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Murphy offered the following: —

Rank of teachers Grammar and Primary Schools.

Ordered, That third and fourth assistants, Grammar and Primary Schools, be hereafter designated as third assistants.

Referred to Committee on Nominations.

Report of Committee on Annual School Festival.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on School Festival, submitted the following report: —

Upon the recommendation of your committee a new feature was instituted in connection with the school festival of last July. In former years, as the graduates passed over the stage of the hall and received their bouquets from His Honor the Mayor, there was no way to designate which school was passing at a given time. Your committee recommended that banners, with the names of the schools printed thereon, should be obtained, and as each school passed its banner would designate which school it was. The committee, feeling that the purchase of banners belonged to the appropriation of no particular year, and desiring to risk no chance of exceeding the regular

appropriation, were granted authority to expend a sum not exceeding $130 in excess of the regular appropriation of $2,000.

The committee are gratified to report that, notwithstanding the additional expense occasioned by the purchase of the banners, and for other minor matters, they were not compelled to use any portion of the extra appropriation of $130, and have not exceeded the original appropriation of $2,000. The entire cost of the school festival for 1885, printing excluded, was $1,930.43, leaving an unexpended balance of $69.57. The committee have delivered the banners, screens for flowers, etc., to the Committee on Supplies.

Accepted.

Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, offered the following: —

Salary of Cora F. Plummer.

Ordered, That Cora F. Plummer, fourth assistant in the Everett District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Sept. 28, 1885, on account of previous service. [See Section 88 of the Rules.]

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Hyde offered the following: —

Rank of principals of Grammar Schools; amendment to Regulations proposed.

Ordered, That Section 226, paragraph 3 of the Regulations, be amended by substituting the words "four hundred" for the words "three hundred," in the second and fourth lines; and that provision be made so that this change shall not affect the position of any teacher now in the service of the city.

Referred to Committee on Rules and Regulations, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Board.

Report of the Committee on School-houses;

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — Sept. 8 — orders proposing certain

boundary lines of school districts of Seventh Division. [See pp. 144, 145.]

changes in the boundary lines of school districts in the Seventh Division, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the boundary lines of school districts in the Seventh Division be amended as follows: —

Lowell District. — Amended so as to read, "Beginning at the junction of Tremont and Heath streets; thence by both sides of Heath and New Heath streets to Centre street; thence by the centres of Centre, Marcella, and Washington streets to Codman avenue, etc."

Lewis District. — Amended so as to read, "Beginning at the junction of Warren street and Walnut avenue; thence by the centres of Walnut avenue, Circuit, Regent, and Dale streets to Washington street, etc." Also that the last lines of the paragraph relating to the boundary lines of the Lewis District be amended so as to read, "Thence by the centres of Dudley street, Mt. Pleasant avenue, Fairland, and Moreland streets, and Forest avenue to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to the point of beginning."

Dearborn District. — Amended so as to read, "Beginning at the junction of Dudley and Winslow streets; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Winslow to Eustis street; thence by the centre of Eustis street to Harrison avenue; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Harrison avenue to the old boundary line between Boston and Roxbury, etc." Amended in the seventh and following lines so as to read, "Thence by the centres of Dudley street, Mt. Pleasant avenue, Fairland, Winthrop, Grenville, and Dudley streets to the point of beginning."

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Dudley and

Dillaway Districts be changed to conform to the above amendments.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, it was

Ordered, That the salary due William Holbrook, deceased, late janitor of the Harvard Hill and Common-street schools, be paid to his father, Samuel E. Holbrook.

Salary of William Holbrook, janitor.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on Supplies, to whom was referred — March 24 — an order that the head-quarters of the truant-officers be removed to the Mason-street building, reported that, under existing circumstances, no proper accommodations can be afforded them. The only place available for the purpose is the ground floor, which is under the control of the Committee on Public Buildings of the City Council, and by them used as a ward-room, the Committee on Supplies having permission to use the room for the receiving, storing, and delivering of supplies. Should the City Council discontinue the use of the room as a ward-room, and place it under the charge of the School Board, the room could be divided and the provisions of the order carried into effect. For this purpose your committee would respectfully submit the following order : —

Report of the Committee on Supplies; removal of head-quarters of truant-officers to Mason-street building. [See pp. 23, 65.]

Ordered, That the City Council be respectfully informed that, in the opinion of the School Board, the entire use of the Mason-street building is required for school purposes, and that, therefore, the City Council is respectfully requested to discontinue the use, as a ward-room, of the room in the building now used for that purpose.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Normal School, offered the following : —

Rank of teachers of Normal School; amend-

ment to Regulations proposed.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Section 246, paragraph 3. Insert, after the word "principal," in the eighth line, the following words, "and of instructors in the Normal School."

Section 291. Strike out the words "first assistant," in the second line, and insert in place thereof, the words "an assistant principal." Strike out the word "second," in the third line. Add the following words to the section: "All instructors of the third grade in the Normal School shall receive the maximum salaries of their grades."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, Oct. 13, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Davis, Fallon, Flint, McCormick, and Plummer.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The Chair read the following: —

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a petition of the pupils of the Evening High School for retention of E. C. Carrigan as head-master.

City of Boston, Executive Department,
October 6, 1885.

To the Honorable School Committee: —

I take pleasure in forwarding herewith a petition which has been presented to me by a delegation of scholars who attend the Evening High School, asking that Mr. E. C. Carrigan may be permanently retained as head-master of said school. I would respectfully ask your favorable consideration of the same.

Yours respectfully,
HUGH O'BRIEN.

The petition referred to, signed by six delegates of the Evening High School, was read by the chair.

The communication and petition were placed on file.

Reports of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: —

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations of teachers.

Brighton High School. — Alice M. Hawes, assistant, Oct. 1, 1885.

Girls' High School. — Katharine H. Shute, assistant, Sept. 17, 1885.

Bigelow District. — Ellen L. Wallace, third assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Brimmer District. — Annie P. James, third assistant, Oct. 6, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Ella F. Howland, fourth assistant, Oct. 1, 1885.

George Putnam District. — Laura E. Dyer, third assistant, October 1, 1885.

Hyde District. — Julia F. Long, first assistant, Oct. 1, 1885.

Lawrence District. — Margaret Macgregor, third assistant, Sept. 1, 1885.

Mather District. — E. Isabelle Bense, fourth assistant, Oct. 15, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Mary E. Parsons, fourth assistant, Oct. 5, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Annie H. Berry, Mary E. Gardner, fourth assistants, Oct. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Comins District. — Margaret T. Dooley and Marcella M. Ryan, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Mary H. Reid, from Sept. 21, 1885; Mary W. Currier, from Oct. 8, 1885.

Gibson District. — Antoinette Clapp, from Sept. 29, 1885.

Hillside District. — Mary E. McDonald, from Oct. 6, 1885.

Phillips District. — Ellen F. A. Hagerty, from Sept. 28, 1885.

Quincy District. — Mary H. Gibbons, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Wells District. — Mary E. Smith, from Oct. 1, 1885; Kate A. Sullivan, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Girls' High School. — Emma W. Kaan, assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Caroline M. Bayley, third assistant, from Oct. 8, 1885.

Dearborn District. — Nellie Perry, fourth assistant, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Dwight District. — Mary E. Graham, fourth assistant, from Sept. 8 to 18, 1885, both inclusive.

Emerson District. — Caroline E. Nutter, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

George Putnam District. — Ida S. Hammerle, third assistant, from Sept. 8 to 15, 1885; Clara I. Stevens, third assistant, from Sept. 15, 1885; Maria F. Bray, third assistant, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Hancock District. — Lucy A. G. McGilvray, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Lowell District. — Mary E. Morse, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885; Marguerite G. Brett, third assistant, from Sept. 15, 1885; Elizabeth T. Gray, fourth assistant, from Sept. 14, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Mary C. Richards, fourth assistant, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Oria J. Perry, fourth assistant, from Sept. 7 to 30, 1885, both inclusive; Mary E. T. Healy, fourth assistant, from Oct. 1 to 12, 1885, both inclusive.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teachers elected on probation.

Normal School. — Katharine H. Shute, assistant, third year, from September 17, 1885.

Brighton High School. — Ida M. Curtis, assistant, from October 5, 1885.

Brimmer District. — Mary E. W. Hagerty, third assistant, from October 7, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Mary E. Roome, fourth assistant, from October 1, 1885.

Dwight District. — Delia L. Viles, fourth assistant, from September 29, 1885.

Eliot District. — Margaret E. Dacey, third assistant, from September 23, 1885; Mary V. Cunningham, third assistant, from October 14, 1885; M. Persis Taylor, third assistant, sixth year, from October 14, 1885.

Hyde District. — Mary E. Parsons, first assistant, from October 5, 1885.

Lawrence District. — Mary E. McMann, third assistant, from September 7, 1885.

Mather District. — Elizabeth C. White, fourth assistant, from October 16, 1885.

Minot District. — Annie H. Gardner, third assistant, from September 7, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Mabel Drake, fourth assistant, from October 5, 1885.

Norcross District. — Caroline Bernhard, third assistant, from September 7, 1885; Julia S. Dolan, fourth assistant, second year, from September 7, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Oria J. Perry, fourth assistant, from October 1, 1885; Mary E. T. Healy, fourth assistant, from October 13, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Dearborn District. — John C. Ryder, sub-master.

Eliot District. — Benjamin Tenney, sub-master; Sophia E. Krey, fourth assistant.

Hancock District. — Anna B. Grimes, fourth assistant.

Lyman District. — Mary E. Williams, fourth assistant.

Minot District. — Gertrude P. Davis, second assistant.

Prince District. — Annie C. Murdock, third assistant.

Quincy District. — Frank F. Courtney, sub-master.

Sherwin District. — Rose A. Mitchell, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

TRANSFERS OF TEACHERS.

Sherwin District. — Anna G. Fillebrown, second assistant, Primary Department; Mary F. Cogswell, Mary G. Murphy, Rose A. Mitchell, Delia E. Cunningham, Louise A. Kelley, fourth assistants, to the same positions respectively in the Hyde District; the transfers to date from November 1, 1885.

Accepted.

Election of teachers of evening schools on probation.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated on probation the following-named assistants for the Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools: —

Evening High School. — Arthur B. Morong, William H. Moriarty, Thomas Dean, Charles E. Stetson, Isaac F. Paul, Thomas W. Proctor, William

Gallagher, Walter S. Parker, Albert Poor, Manson Seavy, Herbert L. Smith, from Sept. 28, 1885; Henry C. Kendall, Thomas E. Major, Arthur F. Winslow, Henri Morand, Luther W. Anderson, Robert E. Babson, Arthur H. Solial, Carl Jonsen, J. Frederick Stein, Arthur T. Whittemore, James A. Page, W. E. Eaton, Stephen O'Meara, teacher of phonography, from Oct. 5, 1885; Franklin C. Irving, Charles A. French, from Oct. 6, 1885; Thomas J. Barry, clerk, from Sept. 28, 1885.

Anderson-street School.—Elizabeth N. Smith, Mary E. W. Hagerty, from Sept. 28, 1885; Mary E. Smith, Sarah E. Stumpf, from Sept. 30, 1885.

Bigelow School.—Frank M. Copeland, Agnes M. Cochran, Caroline Bernhard, Julia S. Dolan, from Sept. 28, 1885; Annie L. Treanor, Elinor F. Buckley, Grace L. Tucker, Mary Currie, Winifred M. Clarkson, from Oct. 1, 1885; Mary E. Bradley, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Comins School.—George R. Keene, Edward S. Haddy, Moses Berger, Sylvia A. Richards, Kate W. Sparhawk, Abbie E. Batchelder, from Sept. 28, 1885; Ellen F. A. Hagerty, Kate A. Kiggen, from Sept. 29, 1885; Mary E. Thompson, from Sept. 30, 1885; Emma H. Nye, from Oct. 2, 1885.

Dearborn School.—John S. Richardson, Emma L. Merrill, Elizabeth E. Backup, from Sept. 28, 1885; Warren Tyler, Sarah E. Belcher, Hattie P. Bill, from Sept. 30, 1885; Annie B. Williams, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Eliot School.—Daniel J. Mullen, Margaret Coyle, Agnes C. Moore, Mary E. McMann, from Sept. 28, 1885; Clarence L. Judkins, from Sept. 29, 1885; Kate A. Sullivan, from Sept. 30, 1885; Mary V. Cunningham, Eva L. Munroe, from Oct. 6, 1885.

Franklin School. — Esther M. Meserve, Clarence P. Coburn, Delia L. Viles, Ida F. Taylor, from Sept. 28, 1885; Martha E. Scott, from Sept. 30, 1885; Laura E. Dyer, from Oct. 1, 1885; Frances V. Keyes, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Lincoln School. — Esther E. Barry, Idalia L. Provan, from Sept. 28, 1885; Sarah L. Sweeney, Nellie S. Henry, from Sept. 30, 1885.

Lyman School. — John L. Bates, from Sept. 29, 1885; Charles D. Edmunds, from Sept. 30, 1885; Jennie A. Mayer, Alice M. Robinson, Clara A. Brown, Kate M. Murphy, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Quincy School. — Alice H. Shultes, Louise K. Hopkinson, L. Roger Wentworth, from Sept. 28, 1885; Kate E. Shea, from Oct. 7, 1885; Mary E. T. Healy, from Oct. 8, 1885.

Warren School. — Benson B. Banker, Lucy M. Bosworth, Anna G. Wells, Julia E. Collins, from Sept. 28, 1885; Emma S. Fisk, from Sept. 29, 1885; Mary E. Roome, from Sept. 30, 1885; Rose V. Collier, Lucy A. G. McGilvray, Annie F. Childs, from Oct. 1, 1885; Mary E. Graham, from Oct. 2, 1885.

Warrenton-street School. — John L. Emmons, from Sept. 30, 1885.

Wells School. — Andrew Woods, Annie H. Gardner, Mary W. Perry, Ernest W. Branch, from Sept. 28, 1885; M. Ella Wilbar, from Sept. 29, 1885; Jennie M. Jackson, Nellie M. Leavitt, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Report of Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools; nomination of Clara Bancroft. [See page 151.]

Mr. Cutter, for the Joint Committee on Nominations and High Schools, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — the nomination of Clara Bancroft, reported the following nomination of a teacher on probation: —

Roxbury High School.— Clara Bancroft, assistant, fourth year, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board : —

Sarah E. Brown.

Bowdoin District.— Sarah E. Brown, fourth assistant, until Nov. 1, 1885 ; Mary E. Bradley, substitute.

Mary F. Neale.

Dearborn District.— Mary F. Neale, fourth assistant, until Nov. 15, 1885 ; Abby W. Sullivan, substitute.

Sarah E. Rumrill.

Dudley District.— Sarah E. Rumrill, fourth assistant, until Nov. 7, 1885 ; Alice M. Sibley, substitute.

Fannie E. Winchell.

George Putnam District.— Fannie E. Winchell, fourth assistant, until Dec. 8, 1885 ; Laura Jenkins, substitute.

Annie M. Lund.

Quincy District.— Annie M. Lund, first assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886 ; Sarah M. Taylor, substitute.

Caroline W. Graves.

Warren District.— Caroline W. Graves, third assistant, until Nov. 1, 1885 ; Alice M. Raymond, substitute.

Report of the Committee on Text-books; text-books in Physiology and Hygiene. [See page 129.]

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Text-books, to whom was referred — June 23 — an order that this committee consider and report a suitable text-book or series of text-books on hygiene, in order that instruction may be given during the coming school year, in accordance with the law recently passed by the Legislature, reported that the following orders ought to pass : —

1. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Primer of Physiology and Hygiene" be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Primary Schools ; one copy for the desk of each teacher, to be used in "lessons on the human body."

2. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Primer of Physiology

and Hygiene" be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Grammar Schools; one copy for the desk of each teacher of the fifth and sixth classes, to be used in giving oral instruction in Physiology and Hygiene.

3. *Ordered*, That Blaisdell's "How to Keep Well" be authorized for use as a text-book in the fourth class of the Grammar Schools, and that one set of sixty books, or, if determined by the Committee on Supplies to be necessary, more than one set, be placed in each Grammar School, for use as collateral reading in the fourth class.

4. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Elementary Physiology and Hygiene," be authorized for use as a text-book in the second and third classes of the Grammar Schools.

5. *Ordered*, that Blaisdell's "Our Bodies and How We Live," be added to the list of authorized text-books for the Latin and High Schools.

6. *Ordered*, That the text-books in Physiology and Hygiene used in the Evening Schools be the same as those authorized for use in the day schools of corresponding grade.

Accepted, and the orders laid over under the rule.

Report of the Committee on Text-Books; Geikie's Physical Geography as a text-book. [See page 156].

Mr. Blake, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order concerning Geikie's "Lessons in Physical Geography" as a text-book for the Normal School, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Geikie's "Elementary Lessons in Physical Geography" be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal School.

Accepted, and the order laid over under the rule.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, it was

Plan of instruction in Evening Drawing

Ordered, That one thousand copies, above the number required for school documents, of the Plan of Instruction

Schools to be printed.

in Industrial Drawing for the Free Evening Drawing classes, be printed for use in the schools.

Election of instructors of Evening Drawing Schools.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, reported the nominations of the following-named instructors of Evening Drawing Schools for the term of 1885–86: —

Head Assistant. — Walter F. Brackett.

Assistants. — M. Louise Field, William L. Skinner.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; consolidation of Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools; amendment to Regulations. [See page 145.]

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — September 8 — an order that this committee consider and report what, if any, changes be needed in the Regulations in consequence of the union of the Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Section 267 of the Regulations be amended by inserting after the words "of the principal," in the fourth line, the words, "and, in the Girls' Latin School, exclusive of a master."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank of teachers in Normal School; amendment to Regulations. [See pp. 159, 160.]

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 22 — an order proposing amendments to the Regulations, concerning the ranks of teachers in the Normal School, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows, —

Section 246, paragraph 4, add the following words to the paragraph: "except in the Normal School."

Section 291. Strike out the word "second" in the third line.

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank of principals of

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 22 — an order proposing an amendment to the Regulations concerning the ranks of

principals of Grammar Schools, submitted the following report: It appears, upon investigation, that the salaries of principals of Grammar Schools are not fixed in proportion to the responsibility and work required. At present a principal of a large Grammar School of one thousand pupils, with the charge of an equal number of Primary-School pupils, receives the same salary as the principal of a school of three hundred Grammar pupils and a small number of Primary scholars. By increasing the number of pupils required for the rank of master from three hundred to four hundred, the objections to the present Regulations will, to some extent at least, be removed. It is not proposed that this change shall affect any teacher now in the service, but shall apply only to those teachers who may be hereafter elected. The committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Grammar Schools, amendment to Regulations. [See page 159.]

Ordered, That Section 226 of the Regulations, paragraph 3, be amended by adding the following to the paragraph: "*Provided*, that, as vacancies occur in the position of principal of the Grammar Schools, the rank of the persons elected to fill such vacancies, if they were not in the service of the city as teachers Oct. 13, 1885, shall be determined in the following manner: In schools of four hundred pupils or more the rank of the principal shall be that of master. In schools of one hundred or more, but less than four hundred, the principal shall be a sub-master. In schools of less than one hundred the principal shall rank as first assistant."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the salary of Stephen O'Meara, elected teacher of phonography in the Evening High School, be

Salary of teacher of Phonography, Evening High School.

at the rate of twenty-five dollars per week of three evenings' service.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Clerk of Evening High School.

Ordered, That the salary of the clerk of the Evening High School be at the rate of four dollars per night, to date from Sept. 28, 1885, the same to be in full for all services required of him by both the Committee on Evening Schools and the Committee on Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Examinations, it was

Certificates of service to M. Persis Taylor and Sarah A. Brackett.

Ordered, That certificates of service, fourth grade, be granted to M. Persis Taylor and Sarah A. Brackett, on account of their long and successful experience as teachers in the schools for licensed minors, recently abolished.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Examinations, it was

Special instructions as to effects of alcoholic drinks, etc.

Ordered, That the special instruction as to the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants, and narcotics, on the human system, required by the statute of 1885, be given to the first class of the Primary Schools in the last half-year thereof, to the second and third classes of the Grammar Schools, and to the second year's class of the High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Special instructions as to effects of alcoholic drinks, etc., to graduating classes.

Ordered, That the special instruction as to the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants, and narcotics, on the human system, required by the statute of 1885, be given to the graduating classes during the present year orally.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, presented the following report of the Board of Supervisors on the results of the recent examinations for certificates of qualification: —

Results of recent examinations for certificates of qualification.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
MASON STREET, Oct. 12, 1885.

To the Committee on Examinations: —

The Board of Supervisors directed its Committee on Certificates to report to you the following statistics of the examination of candidates for teachers' certificates of qualification, held on August 25, 26, and 27, 1885: —

	First Grade.	Second Grade.	Third Grade.	Fourth Grade.	Special Grade.	Total.
Whole number of candidates	29	21	23	41	7	121
Number who withdrew from the examination	....	....	....	1	....	1
Number to whom certificates were granted	23	13	15	31	6	88
Number to whom certificates were not granted	6	8	8	9	1	32
Number, who, having been refused certificates for which they had applied, were granted lower certificates	4	3	3	....	....	10
Whole number to whom certificates were granted	23	17	15	37	6	98
Number of these who had held certificates of a lower grade	2	1	6	....	....	9
Number to whom certificates were granted for the first time	21	16	9	37	6	89

Yours respectfully,
ELLIS PETERSON,
For the Committee on Certificates.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Change in Course of Study for High Schools.

Ordered, That the Course of Study for the High Schools be amended by striking out from the second year's course, "Botany" and inserting in place thereof "Physiology and Hygiene."

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Changes in Course of Study for Grammar Schools.

Ordered, That the Course of Study for Grammar Schools be amended, as follows: —

Under "Class VI." "Elementary Science," strike out "Lessons connected with first lessons in Geography," and the paragraphs lettered (a), (b), and (c); and insert in place thereof, "Lessons on the Human Body; Primary School lessons continued with special reference to Hygiene."

Under "Class V." "Elementary Science," strike out "(d) A simple grouping of plants," and "(e) A simple grouping of animals;" and insert "Lessons on Hygiene, continued."

Under "Class IV." "Elementary Science," strike out paragraph 2, "Observations of nature connected with the study of Geography, etc.," and insert the substance thereof under the head of "Geography," and then insert under "Elementary Science," "Lessons in Hygiene, continued."

On motion of Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, it was

Courses of Study to be printed.

Ordered, That twenty-five hundred copies of the Courses of Study be printed.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, it was

New Grammar School in South Boston.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to consider, at its earliest convenience, the urgent necessity for the new Grammar school-house, to relieve the crowded condition of the Lincoln and Bigelow schools.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, presented the following report: —

Report of Committee on Manual Training School.

The Manual Training School finished its first school year June last.

Ten classes, of twenty boys each (each class receiving one lesson per week), have been at work all the school year. The advance made by the boys in their carpentry work, has been evident. They carry with them into the ordinary studies of the regular schools much more thoroughness. This is traced by the masters to the influence of manual training. The brain, the mind, and the boy, are reached through the hand. The seven deaf and dumb boys of the Horace Mann School, who filled the vacancies in the Dearborn School class, took as keen an interest and accomplished as good work as any other boys. Boys from the Dudley School filled up the other vacancies.

The ten classes above mentioned: —

Monday	A.M.	Lawrence	School.
"	P.M.	Brimmer	"
Tuesday	A.M.	Dwight	"
"	P.M.	Phillips	"
Wednesday	A.M.	Rice	"
"	P.M.	Sherwin	"
Thursday	A.M.	Rice	"
"	P.M.	Quincy	"
Friday	A.M.	Dearborn	"
"	P.M.	Prince	"

Of the 200 boys who began the year in the school, the following dropped out, viz.: from the Lawrence School, 1; from the Brimmer School, 4; from the Dwight School, none; from the Phillips School, 3; from the Rice School, Section A, 1; from the Rice School, Section B, 1; from the Sherwin School, 1; from the Quincy School, 2; from the Dearborn School, 8; from the Prince School, 5; from the Dudley School, none.

Total number of boys who have dropped out of the school during the year, 26.

Of these you will note two schools, the Dearborn (8) and the Prince (5), furnished one-half (13) of the whole number.

So great has been the interest of some of the boys in the work, that they are desirous of continuing their manual training in the evening or in the vacation. Some have sought to come to the school

for another year, which we could not permit for lack of proper accommodation.

Your committee propose, later in this year, to present to the Board a plan of work for next year. Meanwhile, they recommend that Mrs. Hemenway's kind offer to maintain a Cooking School at her own expense in the Tennyson-street School, until July 1, 1886, be accepted. The school will accommodate two classes of 15 each daily, *i.e.*, 150 girls weekly.

Your committee recommends that the following order be passed: —

Ordered, That the girls of the Winthrop, Franklin, Everett, Hyde, and Wells schools, whose parents or guardians so request in writing, be permitted to attend, on probation, the Tennyson-street Cooking School under the direction of the Committee on Manual Training.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Evening Schools, it was

Additional accommodations for Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to fit up an additional room in the Quincy school-house, and one in the Lyman school-house, for the use of the Evening Schools.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Room in Monroe-street school to be fitted up for a grammar class.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to fit up the vacant room in the Monroe-street school-house for a grammar class.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Water-closets Parker-street School-house to be rearranged.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the water-closets of the Parker-street Primary school-house to be rearranged, for obvious reasons.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Removal of trees from yard of Dearborn School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to remove two trees on the west side of the Dearborn school-house yard.

The Chair presented the annual report of the Board of Supervisors, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed. Annual report of Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That Delia L. Viles, fourth assistant in the Dwight District, be placed upon the fifth year of service in her grade, to date from Sept. 29, 1885. Salary of Delia L. Viles.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Darling, for the Committee on the Third Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That M. Persis Taylor, third assistant in the Eliot District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Oct. 14, 1885. (See Section 88 of the Rules.) Salary of M. Persis Taylor.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on Hygiene, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to apply filters to the main supply-pipes of all the school-houses. Water-filters for school-houses.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to attach cords to the outer windows of all school-rooms supplied with double-windows. Outside windows to be furnished with cords.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to supply boards to be placed under the lower window-sashes of school-houses, for purposes of ventilation. Window-boards.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, it was

Thermometers for school-rooms.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to place an additional thermometer in every school-room.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, for the same committee, it was

Manikin and skeleton for instruction in Physiology.

Ordered, That the Committee on Supplies be instructed to obtain a manikin for the use of the instructor in Hygiene in teaching Physiology, the price not to exceed three hundred and fifty dollars; also a skeleton, the price not to exceed fifty dollars.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Normal School, offered the following: —

Salary of Katharine H. Shute.

Ordered, That Katharine H. Shute, assistant in the Normal School, be placed upon the tenth year of service in her grade, to date from Sept. 17, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Ballot for principal of Evening High School.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the Board proceeded to ballot for a principal of the Evening High School.

The chair appointed Messrs. Gallagher, Darling, and Walker a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 17; necessary for a choice, under the rule, 13. There was one blank; Isaac F. Paul had 2 votes; and Edward C. Carrigan had 15 votes, and was accordingly declared elected principal of the Evening High School, with the rank of head-master, for the term of 1885–86.

Edward C. Carrigan elected principal of Evening High School.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

In School Committee, Oct. 27, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Chapin, Dacey, Elliott, McCormick, Naphen, Roeth, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following order took its second reading: —

Girls' Latin School; Regulations amended. [See pp. 145, 170.]

Ordered, That Section 267 of the Regulations be amended by inserting after the words, "of the principal," in the fourth line, the words "and in the Girls' Latin School, exclusive of a master."

Passed.

The following order took its second reading: —

Rank of teachers in the Normal School. [See pp. 159, 160, 170.]

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Section 246, paragraph 4, add the following words to the paragraph: "except in the Normal School."

Section 291, strike out the word "second," in the third line.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, the order was recommitted to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The following order took its second reading: —

Rank of principals of Grammar Schools; Regulations amended. [See pp. 159, 171.]

Ordered, That Section 226 of the Regulations, paragraph 3, be am nded by adding the following to the paragraph: "*Provided*, that, as vacancies occur in the position of principal of Grammar Schools, the rank of

the persons elected to fill such vacancies, if they were not in the service of the city as teachers Oct. 13, 1885, shall be determined in the following manner: In schools of four hundred pupils or more, the rank of the principal shall be that of master. In schools of one hundred or more, but less than four hundred, the principal shall be a sub-master. In schools of less than one hundred the principal shall rank as first assistant."

Passed.

Reports of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: —

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignations of teachers.

Comins District. — Celia M. Chase, fourth assistant, Oct. 31, 1885.

Dearborn District. — Margaret Holmes, third assistant, Oct. 19, 1885; Flora J. Cutter, fourth assistant, Oct. 21, 1885.

Lowell District. — Caroline F. Cutler, fourth assistant, Oct. 19, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Mary J. Danforth, third assistant, Oct. 21, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Central District. — Rosanna Follan, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Gibson District. — Nettie M. Willey, from Oct. 21, 1885.

Harris District. — Annie B. Drowne, from Sept. 28, 1885.

Lyman District. — Lena E. Synette, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Adams District. — Jennie A. Mayer, fourth assistant, from Oct. 12, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Dudley District. — Lucy G. M. Card, third assistant, from Oct. 5 to 30, 1885, inclusive.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Comins District. — Eleanor F. Lang, fourth assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885. Teachers elected on probation.

Dudley District. — Ida S. Hammerle, third assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

George Putnam District. — Margaret Holmes, second assistant, from Oct. 19, 1885.

Lowell District. — Caroline F. Cutler, second assistant, Primary Department, from Oct. 19, 1884.

Accepted.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated, on probation, the following-named assistants for the Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools: — Election of teachers of Evening Schools on probation.

Evening High School. — Frank M. McCutchins, from Oct. 9, 1885; Joseph R. Smith, from Oct. 6, 1885; James W. Webster, Maurice P. White, from Oct. 20, 1885. Teachers of French: — Henri Morand, Arthur H. Solial, from Oct. 5, 1885; Philippe de Sénancour, from Oct. 19, 1885. Teachers of Penmanship: — Henry C. Kendall, Arthur T. Whittemore, from Oct. 5, 1885; Franklin C. Irving, Charles A. French, from Oct. 6, 1885; Orrin H. Carpenter, from Oct. 19, 1885. Teachers of Phonography: — Thomas E. Major, from Oct. 5, 1885; E. Norris Sulli-

van, from Oct. 6, 1885. Teacher of German: — J. Frederick Stein, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Eliot School. — Mary L. Lewis, from Oct. 7, 1885; M. Elizabeth McGinley, from Oct. 8, 1885; Carrie L. Baker, from Oct. 13, 1885; Katherine E. Gillespie, from Oct. 15, 1885.

Franklin School. — Elizabeth E. O'Connell, from Oct. 12, 1885; Adella L. Baldwin, from Oct. 16, 1885; Ester Fletcher, from Oct. 20, 1885.

Quincy School. — Arthur S. Kneil, from Oct. 2, 1885.

Warren School. — Sarah E. Roome, from Oct. 14, 1885.

Warrenton-st. School. — Samuel Weltch, J. Thomas Vose, Annie Nicholls, from Oct. 7, 1885.

Wells School. — Lillian W. Prescott, from Oct. 8, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Rank of principal of Charles Sumner School.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported that the average whole number of pupils belonging to the Charles Sumner School during the preceding quarter entitles the principal to the rank of master. Under the provisions of Section 226, paragraph 4, of the Regulations, the committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the rank of Artemas Wiswall, principal of the Charles Sumner School, be that of master, to date from Nov. 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Textbooks, it was

Supplementary Reading, Latin and High Schools.

Ordered, That Monroe's Sixth Reader be authorized for use as supplementary reading in the Latin and High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the orders appended to the report of the Committee on Text-books, relating to text-books in physiology and hygiene, were taken from the table.

Report of Committee on Text-books; text-books in Physiology and Hygiene. [See pp. 129, 168.]

The Chair stated the question was upon the passage of the orders: —

1. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Primer of Physiology and Hygiene" be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Primary Schools; one copy for the desk of each teacher, to be used in "lessons on the human body."

Passed.

2. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Primer of Physiology and Hygiene" be authorized for use as a reference-book in the Grammar Schools; one copy for the desk of each teacher of the fifth and sixth classes, to be used in giving oral instruction in physiology and hygiene.

Passed.

3. *Ordered*, That Blaisdell's "How to Keep Well" be authorized for use as a text-book in the fourth class of the Grammar Schools, and that one set of sixty copies, or, if determined by the Committee on Supplies to be necessary, more than one set, be placed in each Grammar School, for use as collateral reading in the fourth class.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the order was amended by striking out the words "fourth class," in the second and seventh lines, and inserting, in place thereof, the words "third and fourth classes;" and by inserting after the words "one set of," in the third line, the words "not more than."

The order as amended passed.

4. *Ordered*, That Smith's "Elementary Physiology and Hygiene" be authorized for use as a text-book in the second and third classes of the Grammar Schools.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the order was amended by striking out the words "second and third classes," and inserting, in place thereof, the words "second class."

The order as amended passed.

5. *Ordered*, That Blaisdell's "Our Bodies and How We Live" be added to the list of authorized text-books for the Latin and High Schools.

Passed.

6. *Ordered*, That the text-books in physiology and hygiene used in the evening schools be the same as those authorized for use in the day schools of corresponding grade.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the following order was taken from the table: —

Text-book in Physical Geography, in Normal School. [See pp. 156, 169.]

Ordered, That Geikie's "Elementary Lessons in Physical Geography" be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal School.

Passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on the First Division, offered the following: —

Salary of Geo. R. Keene.

Ordered, That George R. Keene, third assistant in the Lyman District, be placed on the maximum salary of his grade, to date from Oct. 1, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Report of the Committee on Sewing; instruction in sewing in Hancock School.

Mr. Darling, for the Committee on Sewing, upon the recommendation of the Committee on the Third Division, reported that, under the provisions of Section 234 of the Regulations, the committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That instruction in sewing be extended into the first, second, and third classes of the Hancock School.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Davis, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, who were instructed — June 30 — to consider the expediency of changing the name of the Central School, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of the Committee on the Eighth Division, name of Central School changed to Agassiz School. [See page 140.]

Ordered, That the Central School be from this time called the Agassiz School, in honor and in grateful remembrance of Louis Agassiz.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, offered the following: —

Additional accommodations, Charlestown Evening Drawing School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional accommodations for the Evening Drawing School in the old City Hall, Charlestown.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Resignation of a teacher in Evening Drawing School.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, reported the resignation of Walter L. Dean, assistant in the Evening Drawing School, to take effect Oct. 19, 1885.

Accepted.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Jennie E. Haskell.

Franklin District. — Jennie E. Haskell, fourth assistant, until Feb. 1, 1886; Annie L. Treanor, substitute.

Lewis District. — Eloise B. Walcott, fourth assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886; Fannie E. Merriam, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, it was

Permission to pupils to attend the Tennyson-street Cooking School.

Ordered, That the girls of the Horace Mann School, whose parents or guardians so request in writing, be permitted to attend, on probation, the Tennyson-street Cooking School, under the direction of the Committee on Manual Training School.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Permission to pupils to attend the North Bennett-street Cooking School.

Ordered, That the girls of the Wells and Bowdoin Schools, whose parents or guardians so request in writing, be permitted to attend, on probation, the North Bennett-street Cooking School, under the direction of the Committee on Manual Training School.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Rules and Regulations; attendance on Hemenway and North Bennett-street Cooking Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Manual Training School be authorized to print the Rules and Regulations governing attendance on the Hemenway and North Bennett-street Cooking Schools.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Katherine H. Shute. [See page 178.]

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order that Katherine H. Shute, assistant in the Normal School, be placed upon the tenth year of service in her grade, submitted the following report: —

When the plan of graded salaries was adopted, the Board provided in the Regulations that the subordinate teachers in the Normal School should rank as first and second assistants, and that the subordinate teachers in the High Schools should rank as first, second, third, and fourth assistants. By this legislation it is clear that the Board intended that the teachers of the Normal School should rank higher than the majority of the teachers in the High Schools. The Regulation (Section 291) providing for the ranks of teachers in the Normal School has continued in force and exists at the present time, as originally framed. When the numerical designation of first, second, third, and fourth assistants, High Schools, was abolished, and the grade of assistant established, there seems to be in the minds of your committee reasonable doubt as to whether it was intended to include the teachers in the Normal School in such change. The teachers in the Normal School took no part in changing the ranks of teachers in the High Schools, and never supposed that they were included in such change, until the question of a recent appointment of a teacher has called the fact to notice. The teachers of the Normal School claim that it would have been against their own interests and

those of the school to have advocated the change, and that the Regulation (Section 291) providing that teachers in that school shall rank as first and second assistants has never been amended. It is claimed that the legislation alluded to was intended to apply only to the teachers of the High Schools, and that for that purpose the Regulations only of the High Schools were amended. After a careful consideration of the matter your committee are of the opinion that this view of the subject appears very probable, and that, while the subsequent action of committees of the Board has shown that they apparently interpreted the Regulations so that the Normal-School teachers were included in the change, yet the present Regulations are conflicting and vague. Your committee believe that the Regulations should clearly state that the teachers in the Normal School should rank as first and second assistants, as is now provided for in Section 291, and that all conflicting Regulations should be amended to conform to the provisions of this section. After the Regulations are properly amended this committee should be instructed to report a suitable salary for the position of second assistant in the Normal School. This action will place the Normal School in the position it has held for years, and provides for no increase in rank or salary of teachers beyond what has always been provided for in the Regulations of the school.

Your committee feel that the favorable consideration of the order referred would not remove the occasion for the repetition of the difficulties in subsequent appointments of teachers of the Normal School, and would be objectionable and unjust, as the wrong construction might be put upon the matter, — that it was desired to secure an advanced salary for a teacher. Your committee think that the salary of no individual should be considered in connection with the subject, and report that no action upon the order referred is necessary at this time.

Your committee recommend that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to report the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations to provide that the subordinate teachers in the Normal School shall rank as first and second assistants.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Subsequently Mr. Crowley moved that the above action be reconsidered.

Lost.

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of Delia L. Viles. [See page 177.]

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order concerning the salary of Delia L. Viles, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That Delia L. Viles, fourth assistant in the Dwight District, be placed upon the fourth year of service in her grade, to date from Sept. 29, 1885, on account of previous acceptable service.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order concerning the salary of M. Persis Taylor, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of M. Persis Taylor. [See page 177.]

Ordered, That M. Persis Taylor, third assistant in the Eliot District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Oct. 14, 1885 ; her previous service entitling her to the advanced salary under Section 88 of the Rules.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 13 — an order concerning the salary of the clerk of the Evening High School, reported that, on account of the increase in work, and the added responsibility in connection with the care of the city property in use in that school, the following order ought to pass : —

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of clerk of Evening High School. [See page 172.]

Ordered, That the salary of the clerk of the Evening High School be at the rate of four dollars per night, to date from Sept. 28, 1885 ; the same to be in full for all services required of him by both the Committee on Supplies and the Committee on Evening Schools.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 22 — an order concerning the salary of

Cora F. Plummer, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That Cora F. Plummer, fourth assistant in the Everett District, be placed upon the maximum salary of her grade, to date from Sept. 28, 1885 ; her previous service entitling her to the advanced salary under Section 88 of the Rules.

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of Cora F. Plummer. [See page 157.]

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the Board adjourned.

Attest :

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, NOV. 10, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: All the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Davis, Doherty, Elliott, Gallagher, Hyde, McCormick, Naphen, Roeth, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Cutter, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following. : — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Norcross District. — Nellie J. Cashman, fourth assistant, Nov. 2, 1885. Resignations of teachers.

Quincy District. — Mary E. Sawyer, fourth assistant, Nov. 16, 1885.

Warren District. — Caroline W. Graves, third assistant, Oct. 31, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Annie J. Stoddard, second assistant, Oct. 31, 1885; Mary L. H. Gerry, third assistant, Nov. 2, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Hattie C. Hathaway, from Oct. 26, 1885. Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Mather District. — Mary W. Caffrey, from Oct. 29, 1885.

Norcross District. — Nellie S. Henry, from Oct. 14, 1885; S. Louella Sweeney, from Oct. 15, 1885; L. Idalia Provan, from Nov. 3, 1885.

Phillips District. — Mary L. Lewis, from Oct. 28, 1885.

Accepted.

Temporary teachers.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Hyde District. — Frances M. Everett, first assistant, Oct. 1 and 2, 1885.

Lewis District. — Katie M. Groll, third assistant, from Oct. 13, 1885.

Shurtleff District. — May J. Cunningham, third assistant, Sept. 7 to Nov. 4, 1885, inclusive.

Tileston District. — Katie E. Shea, fourth assistant, from Nov. 10, 1885.

Accepted.

Teachers elected on probation.

ON PROBATION.

Bigelow District. — Sabina G. Sweeney, third assistant, from Sept. 7, 1885.

Dearborn District. — Abby W. Sullivan, fourth assistant, from Oct. 21, 1885.

Lowell District. — Elizabeth T. Gray, fourth assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Norcross District. — Nellie J. Cashman, second assistant, Primary Department, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Quincy District. — Kate A. Kiggen, fourth assistant, from Nov. 16, 1885.

Shurtleff District. — Isabel L. Marlowe, fourth assistant, from Nov. 5, 1885.

Winthrop District. — Mary L. H. Gerry, second assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885; Mary G. Harkins, third assistant, from Oct. 22, 1885; Louise K. Hopkinson, third assistant, second year, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Bowdoin District. — Elizabeth R. Preston, second assistant, Primary Department.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Katharine Wark, fourth assistant.

Lawrence District. — Kate Haushalter, third assistant.

Lincoln District. — Martha F. Wright, second assistant; Hannah L. Manson, third assistant.

Mather District. — Caroline E. Morse, second assistant, Primary Department.

Mt. Vernon District. — Frances R. Newcomb, third assistant.

Prince District. — Kate A. Raycroft, third assistant.

Accepted.

TRANSFER.

Transfer of a teacher.

Shurtleff District. — Julia F. Baker, fourth assistant, to the position of third assistant in the same district, the transfer to date from Nov. 5, 1885.

Accepted.

Election of teachers of evening schools on probation.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated on probation the following-named assistants for the Evening Elementary Schools: —

Bigelow School. — Mary P. Howland, from Oct. 19, 1885.

Eliot School. — Frederick W. Elliott, from Oct. 26, 1885.

Franklin School. — Rosa E. Jones, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Lyman School. — John L. Bates, from Sept. 28, 1885; Charles D. Edmunds, from Sept. 29, 1885;

Jennie A. Mayer, Alice M. Robinson, Clara A. Brown, Kate M. Murphy, from Sept. 30, 1885.

Wells School. — May J. Cunninghan, from Oct. 15, 1885; Alanson H. Mayers, from Nov. 3, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Truant-officers not to visit premises where contagious diseases exist.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Hygiene, offered the following: —

Ordered, That truant-officers be instructed not to visit premises where contagious diseases are believed to exist, unless absolutely necessary.

Referred to Committee on Truant-Officers.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Contagious diseases; amendment to Regulations proposed.

Ordered, That Section 197 of the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Insert immediately before the words "small-pox," the words "measles, whooping-cough." Strike out the words "or some responsible member of the family," and insert in place thereof the words "or by the Board of Health."

Referred to Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Contagious diseases; interpretation of word "household."

Ordered, That where, by reason of the structure of tenement or other dwelling houses, families live in close contact with one another so as to be practically as one family, the teachers and officers of the School Board be instructed to regard such houses in which the families do not live apart, or are removed from contagion, as one household within the meaning of Chapter 64 of the Laws of 1884, and the acts in addition thereto.

Referred to Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Crowley, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended so as to provide that when children are absent, and also where the principal has reason to suspect the existence of contagious diseases in any household, he shall have the right to exclude pupils from school till the cases can be properly investigated.

Suspension of pupils on account of contagious diseases. Amendment to Regulations proposed.

Referred to Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, it was

Ordered, That leave of absence until Dec. 1, 1885, be granted to Fiducia S. Wells, first assistant, in the Norcross District; and that Mary Currie be approved as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Fiducia S. Wells.

Mary Currie, substitute.

On motion of Mr. Fallon, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to place radiators in the upper corridor of the Norcross School.

Radiators for Norcross School.

Mr. Fallon, for the same committee, reported the death of Mary K. Davis, late second assistant, Primary Department, in the Norcross District.

Death of Mary K. Davis.

Placed on file.

Mr. Cutter offered the following: —

Ordered, That Section 184 of the Regulations be amended, by adding the following to the section: "Teachers in buildings used by the city for election purposes are expected to make such visits of observation on the days when elections are held."

Teachers in buildings used for election purposes to visit other schools on election days.

Referred to Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to report, at the next meeting of the Board, the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations, to conform to the provisions of the act passed by the Legislature, amending the city charter.

Amendments to Rules and Regulations to conform to city charter as amended. [See pp. 109, 129.]

Mr. Murphy offered the following: —

Hours of afternoon sessions of schools.

Ordered, That from Nov. 17, 1885, to February 1, 1886, the hours of the afternoon sessions of the public schools be from a quarter before two to a quarter before four o'clock.

Rules suspended. Election of instructors of Evening Drawing Schools.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, reported the nominations of the following-named instructors of Evening Drawing Schools: —

Assistants: Ralph W. Allen, from Nov. 9, 1885; Florence Coffin, from Nov. 11, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Mr. Chapin offered the following: —

Opinion of corporation counsel on purchase of land by the City Council for school purposes.

Ordered, That the corporation counsel be requested to communicate to this Board his opinion in regard to the powers of the City Council to purchase lands or buildings to be used for school purposes; and if so purchased without the consent of this Board or that of a subcommittee of this Board, authorized to act in such cases, if such purchases are legal.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses, with full powers.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Salary of Melvin J. Hill.

Ordered, That Melvin J. Hill, junior-master in the English High School, be placed upon the fourth year of service in his grade, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, it was

Removal of trees from Mt. Vernon school-house yard.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to remove seven spruce-trees from the Mt. Vernon school-house yard.

On motion of Mr. Lasker, the Board adjourned.

Attest: PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Nov. 24, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: All the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Blake, Cutter, Darling, Fallon, Lasker, McCormick, Naphen, Plummer, and Roeth.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Dacey, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Reports of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATION.

Charles Sumner District. — Charlotte B. Hall, second assistant, Dec. 1, 1885. Resignation of a teacher.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Allston District. — Annie F. Childs, from Nov. 9, 1885. Special assignments, Primary Schools.

Chapman District. — M. Alice Robinson, from Oct. 26, 1885.

Hancock District. — Julia E. Collins, from Sept. 23, 1885.

Quincy District. — Mary E. Graham, from Nov. 30, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dearborn District. — Clarence L. Judkins, third assistant, from Nov. 3 to 13, 1885, inclusive; Caroline Temporary teachers.

F. Seaver, fourth assistant, from Oct. 21 to Nov. 16, 1885, inclusive.

Hyde District. — Ettie L. Deuel, fourth assistant, from Oct. 22, 1885.

Sherwin District. — Rosa E. Jones, third assistant, from Sept. 9 to Oct. 30, 1885, inclusive; Adella L. Baldwin, third assistant, from Nov. 2 to 23, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teachers elected on probation.

Charles Sumner District. — Charlotte B. Hall, first assistant, from Dec. 1, 1885.

Dearborn District. — Esther M. Meserve, third assistant, fifth year, from Nov. 23, 1885.

Lowell District. — Mary E. Morse, third assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Sherwin District — Adella L. Baldwin, third assistant, from Nov. 23, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Chapman District. — Angeline Crosby, third assistant.

Eliot District. — Nellie G. Murphy, third assistant.

Gibson District. — Emma A. Cochran, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

Election of teachers of evening schools on probation.

Mr. Dacey, for the Committee on Nominations, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated, on probation, the following-named assistants for the Evening Elementary Schools: —

Dearborn School. — Bernhard Schroeder, from Oct. 5, 1885.

Quincy School. — Alice M. Sibley, from Oct. 16, 1885; Josephine Garland, from Nov. 16, 1885.

Wells School. — Sarah N. Macomber, from Nov. 17, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Report of Committee on Nominations; Rank of teachers Grammar and Primary Schools. [See page 156.]

Mr. Dacey, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 22, — an order providing that the fourth assistants in the Primary Schools be hereafter known as third assistants, reported that, in the consideration of the order referred, the committee have given careful attention to the whole subject of nomination of teachers, and are convinced that some changes in the present methods of selecting teachers are very desirable.

The committee believe it to be for the best interests of the schools and the city to change the rank of the teachers of the Primary Schools, as proposed in the order referred. This change will remove the causes of some difficult and perplexing questions.

At present the numbers of teachers for Grammar and Primary schools are based upon the numbers of pupils in the Grammar and Primary Schools respectively. After investigation it is recommended that the teachers of these schools be elected by districts, so that the number of pupils in the whole district shall determine the number of teachers the district is entitled to.

The present Regulations provide that the numbers of scholars used to determine the number and rank of teachers, to which a school or district is entitled at the annual election, be those of the current school year. This is a vague proposition, and occasions a great irregularity in the numbers used at the annual election. To correct this fault your committee recommend that the numbers of scholars used in the nomination of teachers at the annual election be those of the five months, from September to January, inclusive.

Under the present Regulations the rank of a teacher may be changed whenever the average whole number of pupils belonging to the school for the preceding quarter warrants a change. Within a year or two the Regulations have been amended so as to provide that the rank of a teacher shall not be reduced on account of the reduction in the number of pupils, unless such teacher refuses to be transferred to a similar position in another school. It is the opinion of your committee that a school, in order to secure the increased rank of a teacher, should sustain its numbers long enough to clearly determine a more permanent condition of the school as to the number of pupils than can be shown in three months. It is recommended that the specified time be increased to five months.

Your committee submit the following order, which contains the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations to carry out the recommendations of the committee: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

Section 70. Strike out the words "or from one grade of schools to another."

Section 218. Substitute the word "third" for the word "fourth" wherever the latter may occur in the section.

Section 226. Paragraph 1. Strike out all after the words "average whole number," in the third line, and insert in place thereof the words "belonging during the five months, from September to January, inclusive. In ascertaining the number of subordinate teachers of all ranks to which a district is entitled at the annual election, the greatest whole number of pupils belonging in the whole district at any one time during the five months

from September to January, inclusive, shall be used. At times other than the annual election the whole number of pupils belonging in a district at the time when action is proposed to be taken shall be used to determine the number of teachers to which a district is entitled."

Paragraph 4. Substitute the words "five months" for the word "quarter" in the fourth line.

Paragraph 5. Substitute the word "district" for the words "Grammar Schools" in the first line.

SECTION 246, Paragraph 1. Strike out the words "current school year," and substitute therefor the words "five months, from September to January, inclusive; and in determining the number of subordinate teachers, of all ranks, the greatest whole number of pupils belonging to a school during the five months, from September to January, inclusive, shall be used."

Accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Sarah E. Brown.

Bowdoin District. — Sarah E. Brown, fourth assistant, until January 1, 1886; Mary E. Bradley, substitute.

Martha D. Chapman.

Dearborn District. — Martha D. Chapman, second assistant, until January 1, 1886.

J. Lillian Colson.

Mount Vernon District. — J. Lillian Colson, fourth assistant, until January 1, 1886; Hope M. Cobb, substitute.

Phebe H. Simpson.

Lewis District. — Phebe H. Simpson, third assistant, until January 8, 1886; Lillian M. Towne, substitute.

Resignations of instructors of

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and

evening drawing schools.

Music, reported the resignations of the following-named instructors of evening drawing schools: —

Head-Assistant. — Robert W. Vonnoh, November 23, 1885.

Assistant. — Anson K. Cross, November 23, 1885.

Accepted.

Election of instructors of evening drawing schools.

Mr. Gallagher, for the same committee, reported the nominations of the following-named instructors of evening drawing schools: —

Assistants. — Milton H. Bancroft, Frank H. Collins, from October 19, 1885; Emma Todd, from November 23, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, it was

Additional copies of Rules and Regulations of Cooking Schools.

Ordered, That six hundred additional copies of the Rules and Regulations of the Cooking Schools, School Document No. 15, be printed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, it was

Cabinet for Lewis School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish to the Lewis School a cabinet suitable for holding a collection of specimens to illustrate geography and history.

Window-shades for Dillaway School-house.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide shades for the windows of six rooms on the south-easterly side of the Dillaway School-house.

On motion of Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, it was

Removal of trees in vicinity of Gibson School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the removal of the evergreen-trees now growing in the yard west of the Gibson School-house on School street, Dorchester.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendments to Rules and Regulations, to conform to City Charter as amended. [See page 195.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, who were instructed — November 10 — to report the necessary amendments to the Rules and Regulations to conform to the provisions of the Act passed by the Legislature, amending the city charter, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows : —

SECTION 1 amended so as to read : —

"A president shall be elected, by ballot, at the meeting for organization. The votes of the majority of the whole number of members of the Board shall be necessary to elect a president. When a vacancy in the office of president occurs, the Board shall order such vacancy to be filled at the next regular meeting ; a week at least shall intervene between such order and election. When the president is not present the Board shall choose a president *pro tempore* by ballot."

SECT. 2. Strike out the words "and the presiding officer" in the fourth line, and insert in place thereof the following words : "At the first regular meeting of the Board after organization, the president." Strike out the following words in the tenth line : "including the mayor, who shall be chairman." Add the following words to the section : "The president shall be included, *ex officio*, as a member of the Committees on Rules and Regulations, Supplies, and School-Houses."

SECT. 4. Amended so as to read : "The president shall appoint, at the first regular meeting after organization, each year, subject to the approval of the Board, a committee for each division of three or five members, etc." Add the following words to the section : "The president shall be included, *ex officio*, as a member of the Committee on the Normal School and of the Committee of the Division in which he resides."

SECT. 5. Strike out the words, "The presiding officer of the Board shall fill," and insert in place thereof the following words: "The president shall, subject to the approval of the Board, fill."

SECT. 19. Amended so as to read: "A special meeting of the Board may be called by the president; and upon the written request of three members of the Board a special meeting shall be called; but on not less than twenty-four hours' notice."

SECT. 205. Strike out in the eleventh and twelfth lines the words, "or in his absence the vice-president."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; amendments to Regulations concerning contagious diseases. [See pp. 194, 195.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom were referred — November 10 — orders proposing changes in the Regulations relating to contagious diseases, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That SECTION 198 of the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Insert immediately before the words "small-pox" the words, "measles, whooping-cough." Strike out the words, "or some responsible member of the family," and insert in place thereof the words, "or by the Board of Health." Add the following to the section: "Whenever, by reason of the structure of tenement or other dwelling-houses, families live in close contact with one another so as to be practically as one family, the teachers and officers of the School Board shall regard such houses in which the families do not live apart, or are not removed from contagion, as one household within the meaning of Chapter 64 of the Laws of 1884 and the Acts in addition thereto. When children are absent from school on account of sickness, and whenever

the principal has reason to suspect the existence of contagious diseases in any household, he shall be authorized to exclude pupils from school until the cases can be properly investigated."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; teachers in buildings used by city for election purposes to visit other schools on election days. [See page 195.)

Mr. Flint, for the same committee to whom was referred — November 10 — an order proposing an amendment to the Regulations providing that teachers in buildings used for election purposes should devote the days on which elections occur to visiting other schools, reported that it seems desirable that the Board should formally express its wish that such visits be made on election days, and recommended the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That SECTION 184 of the Regulations be amended by adding the following words to the section: "Teachers in buildings used by the city for election purposes are expected to make such visits of observation on the days when elections are held."

Accepted, and the order passed to its second reading.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank of teachers in Normal School. [See pp. 186, 187.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee to whom was referred — October 27 — an order that this committee report the necessary amendments to the Regulations to provide that the teachers in the Normal School rank as first and second assistants, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered. That the Regulations be amended as follows: SECTION 246, Paragraph 3, strike out the words, "the third grade" in the seventh line, and insert in place thereof the words, "instructors in high schools." Paragraph 4, strike out the words, "third grade" in the first line, and insert in place thereof the words, "high schools."

SECTION 291. Insert the following words after the words "deficiency of twenty" in the seventh line, "The salary of the instructors of the several ranks in the Normal School shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding five years, so that the maximum salary shall be reached for the sixth and each subsequent year of service. The committee in charge may recommend, and the Committee on Nominations, if they deem it advisable, may nominate an instructor in the Normal School, whose term of service shall begin with the salary of any year after the first, except the last, in the series of years for the grade, and the salary of any such instructor, if the nomination be confirmed, shall be annually increased in the same manner as if the candidate had served during the preceding years of such term."

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Rank of principal of Roxbury High School.

Ordered, That the rank of Charles M. Clay, principal of the Roxbury High School, be that of head-master, to date from Dec. 1, 1885, the numbers in the school for the preceding quarter warranting the change in rank.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Melvin J. Hill.
[See page 196.]

Mr. Doherty, for the Committee on Salaries to whom was referred — November 10 — an order that Melvin J. Hill, junior-master in the English High School, be placed upon the fourth year of service in his grade, reported that, on account of the long and successful experience as a teacher, of Mr. Hill, for eleven years as principal of a high school in one of the neighboring towns, and for several years as teacher in other places, the following order ought to pass.

Ordered, That Melvin J. Hill, junior master in the English High School, be placed upon the third year of service in his grade, to date from Sept. 7, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Doherty, for the same committee, to whom was referred — October 27 — an order relating to the salary of George R. Keene, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of George R. Keene. [See page 184.]

Ordered, That George R. Keene, third assistant in the Lyman District, be placed upon the maximum salary of his grade, to date from Oct. 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement: —

Appropriations and expenditures.

OFFICE OF ACCOUNTS, MASON ST., NOV. 24, 1885.

The Committee on Accounts present to the Board the appropriations as made by the City Council for the present financial year, together with the expenditures incurred to date, being eight months' payments of the present financial year.

Object of Appropriation.	Appropriation 1885–86.	December Draft.	Expenditures, 8 months, 1885–86.	Balance unexpended.
Salaries, Instructors .	$1,204,146	$105,416 62	$777,462 73	$426,683 27
Salaries, Officers . .	60,180	4,898 33	39,256 66	20,923 34
School Ex. Salaries, Janitors .	87,500	7,290 47	56,369 98	31,130 02
School Ex. Fuel, Gas, Water .	68,000	557 24	44,537 23	23,462 77
School Ex. Supplies, Manual Training, and other expenses.	117,300	4,894 40	70,365 01	46,934 99
	$1,537,126	$123,057 06	$987,991 61	$549,134 39

The expenses for the corresponding eight months of last year were as follows: —

Salaries of Instructors	$765,178 78
Salaries of Officers	40,026 66
School Ex. Salaries of Janitors	55,953 61
School Ex. Fuel, Gas, and Water	48,355 95
School Ex. Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses . . .	102,060 77
School Ex. Manual Training	1,692 06
A total expenditure of	$1,013,267 80

The decrease in the gross expenditures for the past eight months, as compared with the corresponding time last year, amounts to $25,276.19.

For the Committee on Accounts,

WM. C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

Annual Report of Committee on Horace Mann School.

Mr. Elliott, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School, presented the annual report of that committee, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, it was —

Committee to investigate charges alleged in an editorial of the Boston "Herald."

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to investigate the charges alleged in an editorial of the Boston "Herald" of this date, with power to send for persons and papers; and that the editors and publishers of the Boston "Herald" be respectfully requested to appear before such committee and furnish their information and authority for the ground of such editorial.

Special Committee appointed.

The Chair appointed as such special committee Messrs. Gallagher, Dacey, R. D. Elliott, Williamson, and Davis.

Mr. Dacey was excused from serving upon the committee at his request.

The Chair appointed Mr. Crowley to serve on the committee in place of Mr. Dacey.

On motion of Mr. Doherty, it was —

Simplification of course of study.

Ordered, That the Committee on Examinations be requested to consider and report whether or not the present course of study for the different grades of schools could, with advantage, be simplified.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, it was —

Transfer of Primary-School classes.

Ordered, That the Primary Schools in the Walpole-street building be transferred to the Sherwin School building, Monday, Jan. 4, 1886.

Mr. Hyde, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to make all necessary changes in the Sherwin School-building to conform to the reorganization of the Sherwin School.

Alterations in Sherwin School-house.

Passed under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

Mr. Hyde, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That there be no sessions of the Sherwin and Hyde Schools on Wednesday, Nov. 25.

Sessions of Sherwin and Hyde Schools suspended.

Passed under a suspension of the rules.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,

Secretary.

In School Committee, Dec. 8, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except His Honor the Mayor, Messrs. Doherty, Elliott, and Roeth.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

The following order took its second reading: —

Ordered, That Section 184 of the Regulations be amended by adding the following words to the section: "Teachers in buildings used by the city for election purposes are expected to make such visits of observation on the days when elections are held.

Teachers to visit other schools on election days. [See pp. 195, 205.]

Passed.

The following order took its second reading: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Rank of teachers in the Normal School. [See pp. 186, 187, 205, 206.]

Section 246, Paragraph 3, strike out the words, "the third grade," in the seventh line, and insert in place thereof the words, "instructors in high schools." Paragraph 4, strike out the words, "third grade," in the first line, and insert in place thereof the words, "high schools."

Section 291. Insert the following words after the words "deficiency of twenty," in the seventh line: "The salary of the instructors of the several ranks in the Normal School shall be established at a minimum rate for the first year of service, with an annual increase during the succeeding five years, so that the maximum salary shall be reached for the sixth and each subsequent year of service. The committee in charge may recommend, and the Committee on Nominations, if they deem it

advisable, may nominate an instructor in the Normal School, whose term of service shall begin with the salary of any year after the first, except the last, in the series of years for the grade, and the salary of any such instructor, if the nomination be confirmed, shall be annually increased in the same manner as if the candidate had served during the preceding years of such term."

Passed.

The following order took its second reading: —

Amendment to Regulations concerning contagious diseases. [See pp. 194, 195, 204, 205.]

Ordered, That Section 198 of the Regulations be amended as follows: —

Insert immediately before the words "small-pox," the words, "measles, whooping-cough." Strike out the words, "or some responsible member of the family," and insert in place thereof the words, "or by the Board of Health." Add the following to the section: "Whenever, by reason of the structure of tenement or other dwelling-houses, families live in close contact with one another so as to be practically as one family, the teachers and officers of the School Board shall regard such houses in which the families do not live apart, or are not removed from contagion, as one household within the meaning of Chapter 64 of the Laws of 1884 and the Acts in addition thereto. When children are absent from school on account of sickness, and whenever the principal has reason to suspect the existence of contagious diseases in any household, he shall be authorized to exclude pupils from school until the cases can be properly investigated."

On motion of Mr. Flint, the order was recommitted to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The following order took its second reading: —

Amendments to Rules and Regulations, to conform to City Charter as amended. [See pp. 195, 203, 204.]

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: —

SECTION 1 amended so as to read, —

"A president shall be elected, by ballot, at the meeting for organization. The votes of the majority of the whole number of members of the Board shall be necessary to elect a president. When a vacancy in the office of president occurs the Board shall

order such vacancy to be filled at the next regular meeting; a week at least shall intervene between such order and election. When the president is not present the Board shall choose a president *pro tempore* by ballot."

SECT. 2. Strike out the words "and the presiding officer," in the fourth line, and insert in place thereof the following words: "At the first regular meeting of the Board after organization, the president." Strike out the following words in the tenth line: "Including the mayor, who shall be chairman." Add the following words to the section: "The president shall be included, *ex officio*, as a member of the Committees on Rules and Regulations, Supplies, and School Houses."

SECT. 4. Amended so as to read: "The president shall appoint, at the first regular meeting after organization, each year, subject to the approval of the Board, a committee for each division of three or five members, etc." Add the following words to the section: "The president shall be included, *ex officio*, as a member of the Committee on the Normal School and of the Committee of the Division in which he resides."

SECT. 5. Strike out the words, "The presiding officer of the Board shall fill," and insert in place thereof the following words: "The president shall, subject to the approval of the Board, fill."

SECT. 19. Amended so as to read: "A special meeting of the Board may be called by the president; and upon the written request of three members of the Board a special meeting shall be called; but on not less than twenty-four hours' notice."

SECT. 205. Strike out in the eleventh and twelfth lines the words, "or in his absence the vice-president."

On motion of Mr. Murphy, the order was amended as follows: Section 1. Strike out the words, "The votes of the majority of the whole number of members of the Board shall be necessary to elect a president."

On motion of Mr. Gallagher, the order was amended by prefixing the following words to Section 1: "At the meeting for organization the senior member present shall call the Board to order, and shall preside until a president is chosen."

On motion of Mr. Davis, the order was amended as follows: Sect. 2. Strike out the words, "At the first regular meeting of the Board after organization."

Mr. Davis moved that the order be amended as follows: Sect. 2. Strike out the words, "*ex officio*, as a member of the Committees on Rules and Regulations, Supplies, and School Houses," and insert in place thereof the following words, "as a member of three of the committees referred to in this section."

Lost by a vote of 7 to 12.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the order by substituting the words, "Evening Schools," for the words, "School Houses."

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the order was amended as follows: Sect. 4. Strike out the words, "at the first regular meeting after organization."

The order, as amended, passed.

Reports of the Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: —

RESIGNATIONS.

Resignation of teachers.

George Putnam District. — Fannie E. Winchell, fourth assistant, Dec. 9, 1885.

Norcross District. — Fiducia S. Wells, first assistant, Dec. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT, PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Special assistant, Primary School.

Norcross District. — Edith K. Hodsdon, from Dec. 3, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Latin School. — Thomas A. Mullen, junior master, from Dec. 9, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Dorchester High School. — Mary A. Tenney, assistant, from Dec. 7, 1885.

English High School. — George W. Evans, William B. Snow, James E. Thomas, junior masters, from Dec. 9, 11, and 15, 1885, respectively.

Andrew District. — Isabel L. Marlowe, fourth assistant, from Sept. 17 to Nov. 4, 1885, inclusive; Grace L. Tucker, fourth assistant, from Nov. 9, 1885.

Charles Sumner District. — Alice M. Barton, fourth assistant, from Dec. 1, 1885.

Hillside District. — Mary Bradley, second assistant, from Dec. 7, 1885.

Norcross District. — Mary Currie, third assistant, from Dec. 1, 1885; Edith K. Hodsdon, fourth assistant, from Oct. 30 to Nov. 12, 1885, inclusive.

Warren District. — Alice M. Raymond, third assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Gaston District. — Mary E. Dee, fourth assistant, from Sept. 8, 1885. Teachers elected on probation.

George Putnam District. — Maria F. Bray, third assistant, from Oct. 21, 1885.

Lawrence District. — Margaret M. Burns, fourth assistant, from Nov. 2, 1885.

Mt. Vernon District. — Jennie M. Jackson, third assistant, from Dec. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Andrew District. — Ella I. Cass, third assistant; Laura M. Young, fourth assistant.

Bigelow District. — Ida A. Bloom, third assistant.

Harvard District. — Abbie M. Libby, third assistant.

Sherwin District. — Alice T. Kelley, second assistant; Sybel G. Brown, third assistant.

Stoughton District. — Maria A. Shields, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

TRANSFER.

Transfer of a teacher.

Dwight District. — Marcia B. Day, third assistant, to the same position in the Sherwin District, the transfer to date from Dec. 1, 1885.

Accepted.

Mr. Fallon, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, offered the following: —

Transfer of Susan H. Thaxter.

Ordered, That Susan H. Thaxter, first assistant in the Winthrop District, be transferred to the same position in the Norcross District, to date from Jan. 1, 1886.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Election of teachers of evening schools on probation.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated on probation the following-named assistants for the Evening Elementary Schools: —

Franklin School. — Alice Patten, from Nov. 23, 1885; Fanny L. Rogers, from Dec. 1, 1885.

Quincy School. — John O'Driscoll, from Nov. 27, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Rank of principal of George Putnam School.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, reported that the average whole number of pupils belonging to the

George Putnam School during the preceding quarter entitles the principal to the rank of master. Under the provisions of Section 226, paragraph 4, of the Regulations, the committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the rank of Henry L. Clapp, principal of the George Putnam School, be that of master, to date from Jan. 1, 1886, the numbers in the school for the preceding quarter warranting the change in rank.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge, the following teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Abby H. Babson.

Franklin District. — Abby H. Babson, third assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886; Alice E. Robinson, substitute.

Carrie G. White.

Carrie G. White, fourth assistant, until Jan. 1, 1886; Anna K. Barry, substitute.

Elizabeth F. Doane.

Harvard District. — Elizabeth F. Doane, fourth assistant, until Feb. 1, 1886; Effie A. Worcester, substitute.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, offered the following: —

Committee on Ninth Division authorized to appoint special teacher.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Ninth Division be authorized to nominate a teacher with the rank of special assistant, for the grammar classes in the Bailey-street School.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following: —

Vacation in evening schools.

Ordered, That, for the present year, the vacation in the evening schools shall begin the week preceding Monday, Dec. 28.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Election of instructor of evening drawing schools.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and Music, reported the nomination of the following-named instructor of evening drawing schools: —

Head Assistant. — Anson K. Cross, from Nov. 23, 1885.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Mr. Crowley, for the Committee on Hygiene, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows, —

Pupils sent for absent pupils.

SECTION 197. Add the following words to the section: "The teachers shall exercise the greatest caution in sending pupils to the houses of absent pupils to ascertain the reasons for such absence, especially forbidding them to enter the houses to which they are sent. Pupils shall not be so sent where contagious diseases are believed to exist in the household of the absent pupils."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Truant-officers not to visit premises where contagious diseases exist. [See page 194.]

Mr. Hyde, for the Committee on Truant-Officers, to whom was referred — Nov. 10 — an order that the truant-officers be instructed not to visit premises where contagious diseases are believed to exist, unless absolutely necessary, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended as follows, —

SECTION 369. Add the following words to the section: "Truant-officers shall not visit premises where contagious diseases are believed to exist, unless absolutely necessary."

Accepted, and the order was referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Hyde, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the salary of the chief truant-officer be fixed at the rate of sixteen hundred and twenty dollars per annum, to date from Dec. 1, 1885. Salary of chief truant-officer.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Hyde, for the same committee, presented the annual report of that committee, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed. Annual report of the Committee on Truant-Officers.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Manual Training School be authorized to print one thousand additional copies of the Rules and Regulations of the Schools of Cookery, if they they think it desirable. Additional copies of Regulations of Schools of Cookery.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on the Seventh Division be requested to recommend a name for the new Grammar School in the Dearborn District. Name for new Grammar School in Dearborn District.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Dec. 22, 1885.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the city of Boston was held in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock, the President in the chair.

Present: All the members except Messrs. Dacey, Eliot, Elliott, and McCormick.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Cutter, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following: — Report of Committee on Nominations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Gibson District. — Edna L. Gleason, third assistant, Jan. 1, 1886. Resignations of teachers.

Hyde District. — E. Elizabeth Boies, third assistant, Jan. 4, 1886.

Accepted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Adams District. — E. Gertrude Cushing, from Dec. 16, 1885. Special assistants, Primary Schools.

Phillips District. — M. Elizabeth McGinley, from Dec. 4, 1885.

Accepted.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Roxbury High School. — Minna B. Noyes, assistant, from Oct. 15, 1885. Temporary teachers.

Emerson District. — Caroline E. Nutter, third assistant, from Dec. 7, 1885.

Hancock District. — Lucy A. G. McGilvray, fourth assistant, from Dec. 7, 1885.

Hyde District. — L. Idalia Provan, third assistant, from Dec. 1, 1886.

Lowell District. — Marguerite G. Brett, third assistant, from Dec. 15, 1885.

Accepted.

ON PROBATION.

Teachers elected on probation.

Normal School. — Katharine H. Shute, second assistant, from Oct. 1, 1885.

Latin School. — Thomas A. Mullen, junior master, from Jan. 4, 1886.

Adams District. — Jennie A. Mayer, fourth assistant, from Oct. 12, 1885.

Hyde District. — E. Elizabeth Boies, second assistant, from Jan. 4, 1886.

Accepted.

CONFIRMATION OF TEACHERS.

Confirmation of teachers.

Charles Sumner District.—Mary E. Lynch, third assistant.

Dorchester-Everett District.—Abbie E. Wilson, third assistant.

Lewis District.—Mary H. Thompson, third assistant.

Prescott District.—Emma M. Gregory, fourth assistant.

Accepted.

TRANSFERS OF TEACHERS.

Transfers of teachers.

Phillips District.—Mary E. Ames, Lydia A.

Isbell and Kate Wilson, fourth assistants, to the same positions in the Wells District, to date from Jan. 1, 1886.

Warren District.—Agnes G. Harrington, fourth assistant, to the position of third assistant, on probation, in the same district, to date from Jan. 1, 1886. Elizabeth A. Prichard, Elizabeth R. Brower, and Alice T. Smith, fourth assistants, to the same positions in the Harvard District, to date from Jan. 1, 1886.

Accepted.

Election of principal of Allston Evening School.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated the following-named principal of an Evening Elementary School, term of service to date from Nov. 20, 1885: —

Allston School.—G. W. M. Hall.

Accepted.

Ballot for principal of Allston Evening School.

On motion of Mr. Cutter the Board proceeded to ballot.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cutter, Crowley, and Hyde a committee to receive, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duty, reported the whole number of votes to be 18; necessary for a choice under the rule, 13. G. W. M. Hall had 18 votes, and was accordingly declared elected.

G. W. M. Hall elected.

Election of teachers of Evening Schools on probation.

Mr. Cutter, for the same committee, on the recommendation of the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated on probation the following-named assistants in the Evening Elementary Schools: —

Allston School.—Alexander Pearson, Benjamin F. Brown, and Rose V. Collier from Nov. 20, 1885; Elizabeth G. Cahill from Dec. 2, 1885; Mary E. Graham from Dec. 8, 1885.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Leave of absence to teachers; substitutes approved.

Upon the recommendations of the committees in charge the following-named teachers were granted leave of absence for the times specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board: —

Ellen James.

Adams District. — Ellen James, fourth assistant, until March 1, 1886; Lillian W. Prescott, substitute.

Annie W. Ford.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Annie W. Ford, fourth assistant, until March 1, 1886; Elizabeth R. Wallis, substitute.

Elizabeth S. Parker.

Phillips District. — Elizabeth S. Parker, fourth assistant, until April 1, 1886.

Petition for one daily session in Bailey-street School.

The Chair read a petition, signed by A. L. Kittredge and eighteen others, parents and guardians of pupils attending the Ashmont school, Bailey street, praying that there be but one daily session in that school.

Referred to the Committee on the Ninth Division.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. Truant officers not to visit premises where contagious diseases exist. Rules amended. [See page 218.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Dec. 8 — an order appended to the report of the Committee on Truant Officers proposing an amendment to Section 369 of the regulations prohibiting the visits of truant officers to houses where contagious diseases are believed to exist, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Section 369 of the Regulations be amended by adding the following words to the section: "Truant officers shall not visit premises where contagious diseases are believed to exist, unless absolutely necessary."

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the rules were suspended, and the order was read a second time and passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was recommitted — Dec. 8 — an order proposing amendments to Section 197 of the Regulations relating to contagious

diseases, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Amendment to Regulations concerning contagious diseases. [See pp. 194, 195, 204, 205, 212.]

Ordered, That Section 197 of the Regulations be amended as follows : —

Insert immediately before the words, "nor shall any child" the words, "no child sick of measles or whooping-cough shall be allowed to attend any school."

Strike out the words, "or some responsible member of the family," and insert in place thereof the words, "or by the Board of Health." Add the following to the section : "Whenever, by reason of the structure of tenement or other dwelling-houses, families live in close contact with one another so as to be practically as one family, the teachers and officers of the School Board shall regard such houses in which the families do not live apart, or are not removed from contagion, as one household, within the meaning of Chapter 64 of the Laws of 1884 and the acts in addition thereto. When children are absent from school on account of sickness, and whenever the principal has reason to suspect the existence of contagious diseases in any household, he shall be authorized to exclude pupils from school until the cases can be properly investigated."

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Flint the rules were suspended, and the order read a second time and passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. Pupils sent for absent pupils. [See p. 218.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Dec. 8 — an order proposing an amendment to the regulations concerning the sending of pupils of the schools to ascertain the reasons for the absence of other pupils, reported, that the committee are of the opinion that the practice of sending pupils to the homes of absent pupils is objectionable, and may prove dangerous to the health of the pupils. In a former report of this commit-

tee they recommended the passage of an order instructing teachers to use the greatest caution in sending pupils for other pupils who were absent. This order was passed by the Board in November, 1884. Your committee believe that it is not wise to trust to orders which are likely to be forgotten by the teachers who remain in the service, and may never be known to the large number of newly-elected teachers who are appointed each year; and they feel that the subject is of sufficient importance to be provided for in the regulations, where it will be constantly before the teachers. They recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the regulations be amended as follows: —

SECTION 197. Add the following words to the section: "The teachers shall exercise the greatest caution in sending pupils to the houses of absent pupils to ascertain the reasons for such absence, especially forbidding them to enter the houses to which they are sent. Pupils shall not be so sent where contagious diseases are believed to exist in the household of the absent pupils."

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the rules were suspended, and the order read a second time and passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. Rank and nomination of teachers. [See pp. 199, 200, 201.]

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Nov. 24 — an order proposing certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations, relative to the nomination of teachers, reported that the order referred (see pages 200, 201) ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed to a second reading.

Report of Committee on High Schools; special teachers of languages and sciences in high schools. [See p. 48.]

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, to whom was referred — March 10 — an order that this committee report upon the expediency of abolishing the grade of special teachers in languages and sciences in

high schools, or of reducing the present number of such teachers, reported that the question would be considered naturally at the annual election of teachers, and that no action is necessary at the present time.

Accepted.

Mr. Fallon offered the following: — Holiday.

Ordered, That Thursday, the 24th inst., be granted the public schools as a holiday.

Passed under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Lasker, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to erect the necessary partitions in the basement of the Hyde School-house, to provide gates for the yard entrances, to connect the stand pipes with the water-works, to provide a case for philosophical apparatus, and to provide picture-mouldings and door-keys for the several rooms in the building. Improvements in Hyde School-house.

Passed under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Lasker, for the same committee, offered the following: — Retiring rooms for teachers in Sherwin School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide retiring rooms for the teachers of the Sherwin School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules. Rules suspended.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Drawing and and Music, reported the nomination of the following-named instructor in Evening Drawing Schools: — Election of a teacher of Evening Drawing Schools.

Assistant, Herman A. MacNeil, to date from Dec. 16, 1885.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Mr. Gallagher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following: — Vacation in Evening Schools. [See p. 217.]

Ordered, That the vacation of the Evening Schools, be extended one week beyond Dec. 28, 1885, and that

the Evening Schools be opened on Monday evening, Jan. 4, 1886.

Rules suspended.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the Committee in the Seventh Division, it was

Window shades for George Putnam School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide shades for eight windows in the corridors of the George Putnam School-house.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, for the same committee, it was

Appartus Case for Dillaway School.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish to the Dillaway School a case suitable for holding the apparatus in physics.

Report of Committee on ManualTraining School; instruction in manual training. [See p. 91.]

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on Manual Training School, who were instructed — April 28 — to consider and report upon the feasibility of providing instruction to boys of the public schools in printing, carpenter work, and shoemaking; and to girls, in printing, cooking, housekeeping, and laundry-work; and what appropriation may be necessary therefor, submitted a report, in print (School Doc. 17, 1885), and recommended the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to include in their estimate for the next financial school year the sum of $6,000 for Manual Training.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Resignation of Catherine G. Hosmer, sewing teacher.

Mr. Naphen, for the Committee on Sewing, reported the resignation of Catherine G. Hosmer, teacher of sewing in the Dearborn School, to take effect Oct. 31, 1885.

Accepted.

Election of sewing teacher.

Mr. Naphen, for the same committee, reported the nomination of Mary E. Jacobs as teacher of sewing in

the Dearborn School, term of service commencing Nov. 2, 1885.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the Committee on the Normal School, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be instructed to report a suitable salary for the position of second assistant, Normal School.

Salary of grade of second assistant, Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be instructed to report a suitable salary for the special teacher of illustrative drawing, penmanship, and elementary methods, in the Normal School, on account of the reduction in the time and work assigned to such teacher.

Salary of special teacher of illustrative drawing, etc., Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, for the same committee, it was

Ordered, That the rank of Annie E. Chace, teacher in the Normal School, be that of second assistant, Normal School, and that she be placed on the maximum salary of that grade; to conform to the Regulations as amended.

Rank and salary of Annie E. Chace.

Mr. Hobbs stated that the passage of the order would make no change in the present salary of Miss Chace, but was offered to conform to the present Regulations.

The order passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — June 30 — an order that this committee consider the expediency of erecting a bridge from the Hancock School-house to the Cushman School-house, reported that the bridge has been built, and no further action in the matter is required.

Report of Committee on School-houses; bridge between Hancock and Cushman School-houses. [See page 140.]

Accepted.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, submitted the following report: —

Report of Committee on School-houses; fire-escapes. [Se page 145.]

The Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred — Sept. 8 — an order relating to the subject of fire-escapes, report that the city architects for many years have given much consideration to the subject, and in the construction of all our school-houses, during the last decade, have provided stairways of liberal width, with proper railings, and doors of sufficient width and opening outward, so that with the proper training of the pupils, as required by the Rules and Regulations of the Board, there does not appear to be reason for great apprehension of personal danger from any fire that we might expect to occur in our school buildings. It will be borne in mind that nearly all of our school-houses are heated either by furnaces or by steam-boilers located in the basements of the buildings, the heated air being conducted to the several rooms by mettallic pipes from the hot-air chambers of the furnaces, or the radiators heated by steam from the boilers; therefore the chances of fire from any defects in the heating apparatus are very remote. There are a few small buildings, of one or two rooms, which are heated by stoves, but your committee feel that there is not much to fear from these buildings. While your committee feel justified in reporting apparent safety in our modern structures and small buildings, they are aware that there are other school buildings of more ancient date of construction which do not warrant the same approval, because of their narrow stairs and corridors reducing the space for egress to an undesirable limit. Your committee feel that in such buildings an additional stairway of proper width would be preferable to any fire-escape yet presented to the public to be used for a hasty retreat by children from our school buildings. Your committee feel fully justified in saying that in their opinion the Dunn fire-escape, which is now being placed upon school buildings, has no practical value for the use of children escaping from the building in case of fire, but undoubtedly might be of value to firemen and other adults. Your committee, having arrived at the above conclusion, recommend as to all school buildings which shall be deemed to be unsafe for want of proper egress, that the City Council be requested to construct enclosed stairways of sufficient width and with railings of proper height to insure perfect safety in case of excitement or panic, occasioned by fire or other casualty. Your committee therefore recommend the substitution of the following order for that which has been referred to them. The committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause no more of the Dunn fire-escapes to be attached to

school buildings, as the School Committee are of the opinion that they are not suitable for the use of children escaping from buildings in case of fire; and that the City Council be requested to cause additional enclosed stairways of sufficient width to be constructed in or attached to all the school-houses which are not already provided with adequate means of egress for the use of the pupils in case of fire.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Reconsideration of vote amending the Rules and Regulations, to conform to City Charter as amended. [See pp. 195, 203, 204, 212, 213, 214.]

On motion of Mr. Davis, the vote whereby the order proposing certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations, to conform to the City Charter as amended (see pp. 212, 213, 214), was declared passed was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the vote whereby the amendment to the order offered by Mr. Davis was declared lost (page 214) was reconsidered.

The Chair stated that the question before the Board was on the motion of Mr. Davis, that the order be amended as follows: Section 2. Strike out the words "*ex officio* as a member of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, Supplies, and School-houses," and insert in place thereof the following words: "as a member of three of the committees referred to in this section."

The motion to amend was passed.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the order was amended as follows: Sect. 4. Insert after the words "Normal School," the words "or of the Committee on High Schools."

Mr. Cutter moved to amend the order by adding the following words under Section 5: "Add the following words to the section, 'The president shall not be chairman of any standing committee.'"

Mr. Gallagher moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "standing."

Passed by a vote of 9 to 3.

The amendment offered by Mr. Cutter passed as amended.

The Chair read the order as amended : —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows : —

Section 1 amended so as to read : —

"At the meeting for organization the senior member present shall call the Board to order, and shall preside until a president is chosen. A president shall be elected, by ballot, at the meeting for organization. When a vacancy in the office of president occurs the Board shall order such vacancy to be filled at the next regular meeting; a week at least shall intervene between such order and election. When the president is not present the Board shall choose a president *pro tempore* by ballot."

Sect. 2. Strike out the words "and the presiding officer," in the fourth line, and insert in place thereof the following words : "the president." Strike out the following words in the tenth line : "Including the Mayor, who shall be chairman." Add the following words to the section : "The president shall be included as a member of three of the committees referred to in this section."

Sect 4. Amended so as to read : "The president shall appoint, each year, subject to the approval of the Board, a committee for each division of three or five members," etc. Add the following words to the section : "The president shall be included, *ex-officio*, as a member of the Committee on the Normal School or of the Committee on High Schools, and of the Committee of the Division in which he resides."

Sect. 5. Strike out the words, "The presiding of-

ficer of the Board shall fill," and insert in place thereof the following words: "The president shall, subject to the approval of the Board, fill." Add the following words to the section: "The president shall not be chairman of any committee."

SECT. 19. Amended so as to read: "A special meeting of the Board may be called by the president; and upon the written request of three members of the Board a special meeting shall be called; but on not less than twenty-four hours' notice."

SECT. 205. Strike out in the eleventh and twelfth lines the words "or in his absence the vice-president."

The order as amended passed.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of special teacher of illustrative drawing, etc., Normal School. [See page 229.]

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on Salaries, who were instructed to report a suitable salary for the special teacher of illustrative drawing, penmanship, and elementary methods, in the Normal School, on account of the reduction in the time and work assigned to such teacher, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the salary of the special teacher of illustrative drawing, penmanship, and elementary methods, in the Normal School, be fixed at the rate of $828 per annum, to date from Oct. 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of the Committee on Salaries; salary of chief truant officer. [See page 219.]

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Dec. 8 — an order that the salary of the chief truant-officer be fixed at the rate of $1,620 per annum, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the salary of the chief truant-officer be fixed at the rate of $1,500 (fifteen hundred dollars) per annum, to date from Dec. 1, 1885.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of second assistant Normal School. [See page 229.]

Mr. Plummer, for the same committee, who were instructed to report a suitable salary for the position of second assistant, Normal School, recently established by the Board, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the salary of a second assistant, Normal School, be, for the first year of service, $1,140, with an annual increase of $48, till the maximum salary of $1,380 is reached.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Williamson, it was

Payment of salary of janitor of Poplar-street School-house.

Ordered, That the salary due Mary McGrath, deceased, late janitor of the Poplar-street School, be paid to her sister, Catherine E. McGrath.

Report of Committee to investigate charges alleged in an editorial of the "Boston Herald." [See page 208.]

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee of Five, to whom was referred an order — Nov. 24 — concerning an article in the "Boston Herald," reported that they have held meetings, and that they have invited the editors and publishers of the "Boston Herald" to meet them and furnish them with authority and information upon which was based an article entitled "Danger to Boston Schools," which appeared in the paper of the above date [Nov. 24, 1885], but the latter declined to meet the committee, and therefore the committee so report, and ask to be excused from further duty.

Accepted.

Appropriations and expenditures.

Mr. Williamson, for the Committee on Accounts, presented the following statement: —

Office of Accounts, Mason St., Dec. 22, 1885.

The Committee on Accounts present to the Board the appropriations, as made by the City Council for the present financial year, together with the expenditures incurred to date, being nine months' payments of the present financial year.

Object of Appropriation.	Appropriation 1885-86.	January Draft.	Expenditures, 9 months, 1885-86.	Balance unexpended.
Salaries, Instructors .	$1,204,146	$104,664 71	$882,127 44	$322,018 56
Salaries, Officers . .	60,180	4,898 34	44,155 00	16,025 00
School Ex. Salaries, Janitors .	87,500	7,511 17	63,881 15	23,618 85
School Ex. Fuel, Gas, Water .	68,000	1,033 00	45,570 23	22,429 77
School Ex. Supplies, Manual Training, and other expenses.	117,300	2,994 48	73,359 49	43,940 51
	$1,537,126	$121,101 70	$1,109,093 31	$428,032 69

The decrease in the gross expenditures for the past nine months, as compared with the corresponding time last year, amounts to $22,414.42.

For the Committee on Accounts,

WM. C. WILLIAMSON,
Chairman.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Crowley, it was

Ordered, That all unfinished business at the close of this meeting be referred to the next School Board. Unfinished business referred.

Mr. Murphy, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, who were requested — Dec. 8 — to recommend a name for the new Grammar School in the Dearborn District, reported that they recommend the passage of the following order: — Report Committee on Seventh Division; name for new school-house in the Dearborn District. [See page 219.]

Ordered, That the new Grammar School in the Dearborn District be named after the present Mayor of Boston, and to be called the "Hugh O'Brien Grammar School."

Accepted, and the order passed unanimously.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be presented to the Hon. Hugh O'Brien, the President of the Board, Vote of thanks to Hon. Hugh O'Brien, President of the Board.

for the able, dignified, and courteous manner in which he has presided over its deliberations during the past year, and for the personal interest he has always manifested for the welfare of the public schools.

Ordered, That the Board regrets the withdrawal of His Honor the Mayor, under the provisions of the law, from the presidency of the School Committee, and trusts that His Honor will ever remain the firm supporter of our public schools he has always shown himself to be.

Passed unanimously.

The president responded in a brief and courteous address.

Mr. Williamson offered the following: —

Vote of thanks to Vice-President George M. Hobbs.

Ordered, That the thanks of the Board be presented to Mr. George M. Hobbs, for the able and impartial manner in which he has performed the duties of vice-president of the Board during the past year; and as he leaves the School Board of Boston after a continuous service (in this city and that of Roxbury before annexation) of nearly twenty-three years, we extend to him our best wishes for his future, and express our regret that the schools of our city are deprived of the benefit of his valuable experience and service as a member of this Board.

Passed unanimously.

The vice-president courteously responded.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

PHINEAS BATES,
Secretary.

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